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CITY TO APPEAL FROM DECISION TO RAISE U. R. FARES

Mayor Announces Intention After Conference With Counselor Daves and Public Service Board Members.

SAYS ONE CENT INCREASE TOO MUCH

Municipality Will First Ask Public Service Commission to Reconsider, Then Go to Courts, if Necessary.

Mayor Kiel announced at 1:30 this afternoon, after a conference with City Counselor Daves and members of the Board of Public Service, that the city would appeal from the decision of the State Public Service Commission, permitting the United Railways Co. to increase fares from 5 to 6 cents.

The Mayor said a 1-cent increase was too much, and that an order permitting the company to charge 1 cent for transfers might have been accepted by the city without a protest.

The city, he said, will file a motion for a rehearing with the commission. It has 30 days in which to file such a motion. In case the rehearing is denied, it will then be in order to file an appeal either to the St. Louis Circuit Court or the Cole County Circuit Court, at Jefferson City. The case is expected to go to the Supreme Court for final decision.

About 700 members of the street car men's union, meeting in the forenoon at 2228 Olive street, were informed by their officers that a conference with the company's officials, on the wage question, would be held tomorrow. Another meeting, for men on the day shift, will be held tonight. Edward McMorro and Frank O'Shea, international officers of the union, advised the men not to "rock the boat," and predicted an early settlement. The men seemed willing to accept this advice.

The men expect an increase of at least 10 cents an hour. President McCulloch, having mentioned a 10-cent increase several times. The men say it has been agreed that the increase shall date from March 1.

City Counselor Daves said that the question was likely to arise whether an appeal would suspend the 6-cent fare order, which was made by the commission to go into effect June 1. If the order is suspended, pending the appeal, he said, the city may be required to give bond for the amount which the company would collect in extra fare pending the appeal, so that if the city loses the appeal, the company may be reimbursed.

President McCulloch recently estimated, in his testimony before the commission, that the company would receive an annual increase of about \$1,465,000 from a 6-cent fare. If the city should have to give bond, as suggested by the City Counselor, during a suspension of the order, to meet this increase, the bond would have to be for something like this amount, which the city would forfeit if it lost the case in court.

SIR ERI GEDDES AND DANIELS EXCHANGE GREETINGS

Naval Secretary Thanks British Sea Lord for Appreciation of American Co-operation.

LONDON, May 13 (By A. P.).—Letters exchanged between Josephus Daniels, American Secretary of the Navy, and Sir Eric Geddes, First Lord of the British Admiralty, were made public today by the British Admiralty. Secretary Daniels wrote in part:

3 AMERICANS KILL 5 OF 13 IN SNIPERS' NEST

Scouts Capture Officers' Papers Before Retiring Before Reinforcements.

WITH THE AMERICAN ARMY IN FRANCE, May 13 (By A. P.).—Three American scouts yesterday afternoon attacked a German strong point in the Lunerville sector in which enemy snipers had a nest and had been operating with such success that several Americans had been killed by their bullets.

The scouts found the point held by an officer and 12 men. The party attacked the Germans, killing the officer and four men. The officer's papers, which were captured, included a German code and other documents from which important information was secured. The scouts retired when German reinforcements appeared.

Upon the return of the scouts, 25 Americans crossed the German positions and resumed the fighting. The report on this encounter had not been received up to this forenoon.

ST. LOUIS IN 35TH DIVISION CABLES OF ARRIVAL IN EUROPE

Father of Algernon F. O'Brien, in Headquarters Company, Gets Message.

A cablegram passed by the censor has come from Algernon F. O'Brien, 21 years old, attached to the headquarters company of the Thirty-fifth Division, announcing his safe arrival abroad.

The message was received by the soldier's father, P. J. O'Brien, inspector of transportation of the Wash-bash Railroad, who resides at 3518 Crittenden street. It said "Arrived safe," but did not indicate the place.

WOMEN GO TO WORK IN ARSENAL AT ROCK ISLAND

ROCK ISLAND, Ill., May 13 (By A. P.).—Employment of women in the workshops of United States armaments was begun this morning at the Rock Island arsenal following an appeal by Col. Leroy T. Hillman, commandant, telling of the need of women workers if the speed schedule of the war program is to be maintained.

In his statement Col. Hillman said: "It has been definitely decided that the Rock Island arsenal will employ women in some of the shops. The first step will be in the sewing room, where women are to be used in operating power sewing machines on cloth and canvas army equipment."

According to the commandant, it is expected that at least 100 women workers will be working in the arsenal shops by the end of the week. The decision to employ women workers in the Rock Island arsenal, which is the largest in the country, and said to employ in the neighborhood of 15,000 persons, came as a result of the Government's inability to secure skilled male workers in sufficient numbers to handle the work.

GERMAN GUNS ACTIVE IN SEVERAL SECTORS

OUR ARMY NOT TO BE HELD IN RESERVE UNTIL COMPLETE, SAYS LORD READING

TWO VIEWS AS TO BEST USE OF U. S. FORCES

Reported Plan to Hold the Americans in Reserve for Present Will Not Retard Rushing of Men to France.

STRATEGISTS SPLIT ON POLICY TO PURSUE

Some Officials in Washington Believe All Class 1 Men Will Be Called Out During the Summer.

WASHINGTON, May 13 (By A. P.).—Lord Reading, the British Ambassador, in a statement here today, declared that the announcement coming by way of Ottawa that the American army would not be fully utilized on the Western front until developed to its full strength, was directly opposite to information he had received from the British War Cabinet and that he was in the dark as to its meaning.

The Ambassador's statement added to the puzzle in which American officers found themselves today on reading the announcement from Ottawa. Confidential information reaching here recently indicated that such a plan as outlined from Ottawa was under discussion.

AMERICAN STATEMENT

The Ambassador authorized the following statement: "The statement attributed to the British War Cabinet to the effect that the allies are so confident that, having been given the choice of a small, immediate American army for defense or waiting till they are re-enforced by a complete, powerful, self-supporting American army, they have chosen the latter, is diametrically opposite to the information I have received from the British War Cabinet and that he was in the dark as to its meaning."

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Shell-Riddled British Cruiser Vindictive After Zeebrugge Raid, Her Commander and Muster of Survivors on Return to Base



COMMANDER A. F. B. CARPENTER.

CRAPS GAME RAIDED IN DEMOCRATIC CLUB

27 Arrested When Detectives Break Into Room Over Justice Jimmie Miles' Court.

Twenty-seven men, arrested in a craps-game raid in a room occupied by the Fourth Ward Democratic precinct organization, over Jimmy Miles' justice court at 1317 North Broadway, were arraigned before Police Judge Sanders this morning, and their cases were continued until Wednesday. The case will be presented to the Circuit Attorney in the meantime.

John Tatton of 1714 North Twenty-second street, a former Deputy Sheriff, was standing outside the place at the time of the raid, at 1 a. m. yesterday, city detectives say, and one of the detectives held his hand over Tatton's mouth to keep him from giving an alarm to those in the room. The windows had been camouflaged with boards, to give the place a deserted appearance.

At top is shown the dramatic scene, following the return of the Zeebrugge raiders to their naval base, when the roll was called to ascertain who were killed or missing. Beneath it is the cruiser Vindictive. Most of her smokestacks were shot away and her decks were badly damaged. The ship was later filled with concrete and was blown up during the raid last Friday in the channel at Ostend, where her hull obstructs navigation for a width of 245 feet, leaving a clearance of 75 feet for U-boats and destroyers.

FAIR AND SLIGHTLY WARMER TONIGHT AND TOMORROW

THE TEMPERATURES.

1 a. m.	51	11 a. m.	60
2 a. m.	51	1 p. m.	61
3 a. m.	51	2 p. m.	62
4 a. m.	51	3 p. m.	63
5 a. m.	51	4 p. m.	64
6 a. m.	51	5 p. m.	65
7 a. m.	51	6 p. m.	66
8 a. m.	51	7 p. m.	67
9 a. m.	51	8 p. m.	68
10 a. m.	51	9 p. m.	69
11 a. m.	51	10 p. m.	70
12 a. m.	51	11 p. m.	71

Y e s t e r d a y : High, 57, at 1 a. m.; low, 50, at 2 p. m.

Official forecast for St. Louis and vicinity: Fair and somewhat warmer tonight and tomorrow.

Missouri and Illinois—Generally fair and somewhat warmer tonight and tomorrow.

Stage of the river at 7 a. m.: 8.3 feet, a fall of 1 of a foot.

FARM IMPLEMENT INQUIRY

Investigation of Prices Authorized in Senate Resolution.

WASHINGTON, May 13 (By A. P.).—Investigation by the Federal Trade Commission of the production and supply of agricultural implements and the prices farmers are compelled to pay for machinery is authorized in a resolution introduced today by Senator Thompson of Kansas and adopted by the Senate.

MOON MOTOR CAR COMPANY TO MAKE 1000 SHELLS A DAY

New Plant to Handle \$2,000,000 Order to Be Ready Within 90 Days.

A \$2,000,000 order for large shells for the army has been received by the Moon Motor Car Co., 4401 North Main street, to be filled at the rate of 1000 shells a day. This addition to the large orders for war munitions already held in St. Louis is in line with the Government's recently announced policy of placing war orders in the Middle West to avoid the congestion in the Eastern manufacturing centers.

At the offices of the Moon company it was said that a new \$500,000 plant to manufacture the shells would be erected and that it would be completed within 90 days, the time at the expiration of which the contract calls for the delivery of shells to begin.

The manufacturing work will be done by the Moon company and the McDonald Engineering Co. The latter is an engineering subsidiary of the Moon company.

The officers of the Moon Motor Car Co. are Joseph W. Moon, president; Stewart McDonald, vice president; George H. Scheip, secretary, and Albert F. Moberly, treasurer.

It may be true that it is more difficult than usual to secure the right sort of workers—most of them being employed; but IF THE WORKER YOU NEED IS TO BE FOUND, A Post-Dispatch Want Ad will bring him.

8 BRITISH KILLED, 10 MISSING AS OSTEND RAID RESULT

LONDON, May 13 (By A. P.).—A Dover dispatch says that the British casualties in the raid on Ostend were two officers and six men killed, and two officers and eight men missing, supposed to have been killed. Of these, two officers and eight men were on the Vindictive. Five officers and 24 men were wounded, of whom one officer and 16 men were on the Vindictive.

AMSTERDAM, May 13.—A German version of the sinking of the Vindictive in Ostend harbor as recounted by an "eyewitness" has been received here. "When the bombardment from the sea began," says the account, "ten airplanes appeared over the town, dropping bombs and flaming objects. The Vindictive struck the piles at the extreme end of the jetty and sank. There she may stay as long as she likes, for she does not interfere with us. Only the dead were found on board, while not a plank, rail or stairway was left. The whole deck was littered with splinters and wreckage. The wheel on the bridge was smashed and the helmsman lay dead beside it. Here and there were smoldering fires."

President Receives "Blue Devils"

WASHINGTON, May 13 (By A. P.).—President Wilson received today 86 French Alpine troops known as the "Blue Devils," who arrived here on their tour of the United States for the Red Cross.

GUN FIRE IS HEAVY EAST OF AMIENS

Paris and London Report Lively Battery Work on Somme and Avre and at Points in Flanders, Where Local Infantry Fighting Occurs.

FRENCH IMPROVE LINES IN NORTH

Capture 100 Prisoners in Minor Attack North of Kemmel—Austrian Post on Mountain Front Stormed by Italian Troops.

LONDON, May 13 (By A. P.).—"The hostile artillery was active during the night in the Somme Valley and Albert sectors, also between Loccon and the forest of Nieppe (Flanders front)," says today's War Office statement.

British Mine Sweeper Sunk, Two Officers and 15 Men Missing

LONDON, May 13 (By A. P.).—The admiralty announces that a British mine-sweeping ship was sunk by a German submarine May 6. Two officers and 13 men are missing and are presumed to have been drowned.

Paris Reports Lively Gun Fire on Both Sides of the Avre

PARIS, May 13 (By A. P.).—Active artillery fighting in Picardy on both sides of the Avre River is reported in today's official statement. "The statement follows: 'Our artillery and the enemy's were active at certain points along the front and south of the Avre. In Lorraine a French detachment penetrated the German lines north of Nomeny and brought back 20 prisoners. In the region of St. Die, a German raid was broken up by our fire.'

Yesterday's Official Reports on Fighting

LONDON, May 13 (By A. P.).—The communication from the War Office yesterday said:

"In a successful local operation yesterday French troops improved their positions north of Kemmel village and captured over 100 prisoners. A hostile raiding party was repulsed yesterday morning near the Ypres-Comines canal. We secured a few prisoners. Several prisoners and machine guns were captured by us during the night in patrol encounters in the neighborhood of Meteren. 'The hostile artillery was active last night and early this morning in the Aisne sector, south of Albert, on the forward positions east of Loos and south of Voormezele.'

BERLIN, via London, May 13.

The official communication yesterday said: "The fighting activity was restricted to local engagements. North of Kemmel and on the southern bank of the Lys the enemy attacked after violent artillery preparation at several points, pressing forward a strong reconnaissance. North of Kemmel in hand-to-hand fighting we broke down an enemy attack on our lines. Elsewhere his storming troops collapsed under our fire. 'On the western bank of the Avre violent fighting developed as a result of our advance southwest of Mailluy, during which we captured 40 prisoners. Between the Avre and the Oise there were many reconnoitering engagements. 'In aerial fighting during the last two days 19 enemy airplanes were shot down, 12 of them being brought down by the fighting echelon formerly led by Baron von Richthofen.'

PARIS, May 13.—The official announcement of yesterday said:

"There was rather violent artillery fighting in the region west of Mailluy. 'A German attack on our new positions northwest of Ovrille-Sireuil met with a complete check. Our fire

Advertisers "Bank" on the Post-Dispatch

For quick and prolific results.

Yesterday, Sunday, both Home and National Advertisers concentrated, as usual, by buying far more space in the POST-DISPATCH alone than they did in both of the other St. Louis newspapers combined.

The count for Sunday, May 12.

Total Paid Advertising— 361 Cols.
Globe-Democrat and Republic combined— 285 Cols.
POST-DISPATCH excess over both— 76 Cols.

Home-Merchants' Advertising— 156 Cols.
Globe-Democrat and Republic combined— 129 Cols.
POST-DISPATCH excess over both— 27 Cols.

National Advertising— 79 Cols.
Globe-Democrat and Republic combined— 46 Cols.
POST-DISPATCH excess over both— 33 Cols.

Real Estate and Wants— 126 Cols.
Globe-Democrat and Republic combined— 110 Cols.
POST-DISPATCH excess over both— 16 Cols.

Quality Advertising— 11,340
Department Store Advertising— 15,475
Globe-Democrat and Republic combined— 15,475

Automobile Advertising— 13,663
Globe-Democrat and Republic combined— 9001
POST-DISPATCH excess over both— 4662

Furniture Advertising— 13,758
Globe-Democrat and Republic combined— 4554
POST-DISPATCH excess over both— 9204

Women's Apparel Advertising— 4989
Globe-Democrat and Republic combined— 3995
POST-DISPATCH excess over both— 994

Shoe Advertising— 1021
Globe-Democrat and Republic combined— 220
POST-DISPATCH excess over both— 801

The Reason: QUALITY AND QUANTITY CIRCULATION That sells the merchandise.

St. Louis' "ONE BIG Newspaper"

MEN PLACED ON TRIAL FOR LYNCHING OF PAUL PRAGER

Defendants Enter Court at Edwardsville Each Wearing a Red, White and Blue Rosette.

MOTION FILED FOR THEIR DISMISSAL

Miners' Delegation Brings Man to Court Suspected of Being Missing Defendant, but He Is Released.

Eleven men, charged with the murder of Robert Paul Prager, a German enemy alien, who was lynched by a mob at Collinsville, Ill., April 5, went on trial in the Circuit Court at Edwardsville today. Just 38 days after Prager's death. The inquest, grand jury investigation, indictment, arrest and arraignment have proceeded with a speed perhaps unprecedented in such cases.

The 11 defendants whistled and jeered with bystanders as they crossed the street from the jail to the courthouse this morning, each wearing a red, white and blue rosette in his coat lapel.

Those on trial are Joseph Riegel, former soldier, coal miner and co-accused in the Prager case; Wesley Beaver, a saloon porter; Charles Cramer, a clerk; Calvin Gilmore, plumber and seven coal miners, Richard Dukes Jr., "Red" Peasants, Elmore, William Brockmeier, Cecil Larimore, James D. Matties, Frank Flannery and John L. Hallsworth.

Miners Take Man to Court. An unusual development was a visit to a delegation of members of the Coal Miners' Union at Collinsville, who arrived in charge of Gil Davis, also a member, whom they suspected of being the George Davis, under indictment for murder, who had not been seen since he was captured by the Sheriff and State Attorney that they had the wrong man.

The lynching of Prager occurred the day after a widely advertised quarrel with union officials, who accused him of trying to get work in the Maryville (Ill.) mine, where many Collinsville miners were employed, for the purpose of damaging the mine.

On the opening of the trial today, at which Judge Louis Bernreuter presided, attorneys for the defense moved that the indictments be quashed on two grounds: First, that Charles Cramer, an indicted man, had testified before the grand jury that indicted him; and, second, that his name, as a grand jury witness, did not appear on the indictments.

C. W. Middlekauff, Assistant Attorney-General of Illinois, who was in charge of the prosecution, replied that while it was the policy in Illinois not to indict grand jury witnesses, it was permissible, and added nothing was known against Cramer when he was called as a witness. He further contended that the absence of his name on the indictments was not sufficient ground for quashing them.

Court Takes a Recess. Judge Bernreuter, at 10:30 a. m., adjourned court until 1:30 p. m., to give counsel time to produce authorities on the point. It was recalled that similar questions were raised in the East St. Louis riot trials, and that none of the cases was dismissed on those grounds.

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With the exception of Cramer, who was somewhat nervous, all appeared in high spirits. Before the judge entered, they joked with spectators in the courtroom, and with newspaper men. The courtroom was filled, and there were present about 15 men, mostly relatives of the accused. About 30 lawyers were present, apparently just as curious as the rest.

The defendants were represented by former State Attorney James M. Bandy, assisted by members of the firm of Warnock, Williamson & Burroughs. State Attorney Joseph Struber sat with Middlekauff.

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"Five Years From Now Will See the End of Strikes," Declares Mother Jones

Labor's Friend Gives Views to Marguerite Martyn

Valiant Champion of the Workers Pink of Cheek at 88 and Wears a Fussy Little Bonnet.

Objects to Women Doing Heavy War Time Work; Opposes Suffrage, Knitters Rile Her.

BY MARGUERITE MARTYN.

I WOULD like to have had a union card to show. I was glad I was conversant with the after-the-war platform of the British Labor party as voluminously printed in the Post-Dispatch, and that I could prove full faith in the justice of trade unionism, when I went to call on Mother Jones. As was, I came out of the interview with the valiant little 88-year-old labor champion comparatively unscathed, though I sat meekly silent while her scorching tongue exoriated many institutions I have at least looked upon with tolerance.

Women in War Industries supplying men, she had little patience with.

"I see them climbing over engines with their oil cans," she said. "I see them pumping levers on street cars; I see them pushing heavy trucks of munitions, and I think, what of the future generation? Woman's nervous organism is not equal to such work. One of the principles of trade unionism is that women shall work under conditions of the most perfect safety to the utmost of their bodily powers."

Woman suffrage she dismissed with equal scorn. "Women vote in Colorado and what have they done to improve industrial conditions? After the riots at Trinidad and 20 women and children were laid out in the morgue, committees of ladies came and looked over the scene, and they said, 'Too bad, too bad!'"

"They knew the murder of these innocents, whose men were fighting only for the right to work and earn their bread, had been authorized by the Governor they had helped to put in power. They did not criticize the Governor and the sons of some of the women were in the militia that committed the crime."

Women in war relief work were entirely beneath her contempt. "They must do everything in public. If they knit they must sit out on the balcony or in some more public place, and they must do it in the Maryville (Ill.) mine, where many Collinsville miners were employed, for the purpose of damaging the mine."

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Three Men Drowned in River. DUBUQUE, Ia., May 13 (By A. P.).—Three men were drowned in the Mississippi river, a mile south of here late last night when a launch bound up stream and carrying six men struck a rock or some other obstruction in the channel and sank almost immediately.



MOTHER JONES III. SKETCHED BY

But even women in industry, the younger ones, are slaves of centuries of tradition. They won't organize. "Of course, it is instinctive that they should think of getting married and getting out of industry. That is natural and right. But women ought to go into trade unions for the sake of the economic education there is in it, and they ought to stay organized so that conditions will be made right for their children when they come on."

"Why, I wouldn't give what I have learned through association with labor for all the education in all the universities in the world," she said heartily. "I wouldn't give my experience for all the money in the United States Treasury."

"I have learned a lesson when I have been walking 12 miles over railroad ties on a dark night with a baby strapped on my back. I was seeking shelter for the family of a striking miner in West Virginia. The mother beside me had another child strapped on her back and one in her arms, while there trudged between us a 10-year-old boy who had worked in the mines, never seeing light except from a lantern as he opened and shut a door for 10 hours every day. I can hear him now saying, 'Mother, when I get to be a man will it always be as hard as this?'"

"I learned a lesson when I waded three-quarters of a mile in a creek with the water up to my breast, because they wouldn't let me walk on the track. It was the company's track and there were gunmen guarding it."

"I learned a lesson when I was being driven to prison with 150 in the back of the car, the ladies' family on the left of me and 150 infantry on the right of me, and the chauffeur trembling like a leaf. She laughed heartily at this reminiscence. "That was in Colorado when the Governor issued orders that I was not to come into the State, whereupon I took the first train and was in the town three hours before his lookouts discovered me."

"I value my education and I did not fail to appreciate each lesson as I was getting it and I never have been intimidated. "Strikes and wars as a last resort."

"But don't get the idea I am not as I was in Washington one day. A man came to me and said, 'Mother, we are not capital! Ten thousand dollars a year is enough for any of those fellows. We don't pay our Generals more than that, and they are in charge of humanity. Why should mere captains of industry be allowed more than our Generals?'"

War Secretary's Wife Has Mixup Here Over Her Ticket. Calls Upon Chief Yeoman of Navy Recruiting Station to Obtain Pullman Reservation.

An instance of the navy coming to the rescue of the army was given yesterday, when Mrs. Newton D. Baker, wife of the Secretary of War, stopped in St. Louis for an hour on her way East from points in the West, and was forced to call on Chief Yeoman G. U. Mory of the Navy Recruiting Station, to straighten out a misunderstanding regarding her Pullman ticket.

Mrs. Baker arrived on the Missouri Pacific and was to depart for the Pennsylvania. When she had difficulty in getting Union Station officials to arrange for a berth, she called the recruiting office of the navy. Seventh and Chestnut streets. "It's another case of the navy conveying the army," she said, as she thanked Mory. "I read in the morning papers that the navy office would be open Sunday, and knowing the navy is always on hand when needed, I telephoned."

WALKER IN DICTIONARY OF 'UNSOOUND MIND' IS SET ASIDE

Judge Garesche Rules Probate Judge Had No Right to Proceed After Issue of Writ of Prohibition.

AGED MAN ENTITLED TO ANOTHER HEARING

Execution of Verdict Was Held Up Pending Decision in Proceedings Brought by Two Sons.

The act of a jury in the Probate Court in deciding, Feb. 11 last, that D. D. Walker, 70-year-old founder of the Ely & Walker Dry Goods Co., was of unsound mind, was set aside today by Judge Garesche in the Circuit Court.

He ruled that Judge Holtcamp of the Probate Court had jurisdiction to try the Walker case, but that he had no legal right to proceed with the trial after a writ of prohibition had been issued by the Circuit Court.

The effect of Judge Garesche's decision is to reinstate the guardianship proceeding in the Probate Court for another hearing at which Walker may be represented by attorneys of his own choosing.

Walker lives at Santa Barbara, Cal. The proceedings were brought by his St. Louis sons, G. Herbert Walker, a broker, and D. D. Walker Jr., president of the Ely & Walker Dry Goods Co. John D. Johnson and Loomis C. Johnson, attorneys for D. D. Walker, attempted to stop the proceedings in the Probate Court by denying the jurisdiction of the court and by obtaining a writ of prohibition from Judge Garesche.

Before the prohibition writ was served on him, Probate Judge Holtcamp ordered that the hearing proceed. The Johnsons did not appear in court, and Judge Holtcamp appointed Charles Clafflin Allen to represent Walker.

Guardian Was Appointed. After the jury declared Walker of unsound mind, Judge Holtcamp appointed the St. Louis Union Trust Co. as his guardian. The Johnsons then filed a motion in Judge Garesche's court asking that the writ of prohibition be enforced and that Judge Holtcamp be cited for contempt of the court.

In his decision today Judge Garesche declined to cite Judge Holtcamp for contempt and said that his act in proceeding with the case was due to a misunderstanding and was unintentional. He ruled that the Probate Court had full jurisdiction to inquire into Walker's sanity, although Walker lives in another State. Walker, he said, had written several letters to Judge Holtcamp and these letters were to be construed as the entering of his appearance.

Though the Probate Court had jurisdiction, he said, it had no legal right to proceed with the trial, even though it had received no official notice of the writ. For that reason Judge Garesche set aside all proceedings which followed the assumption of jurisdiction by the Probate Court and the trial of the case in the absence of Walker's attorneys was irregular and says that Walker is entitled to another hearing in the Probate Court and to be represented there by attorneys of his own choosing.

Execution Held Up. Execution of the Probate Court verdict had been held up pending the outcome of the proceedings in Judge Garesche's court, and there has been no actual administration of Walker's affairs by the St. Louis Union Trust Co.

After Judge Garesche's decision was handed down, attorney John D. Johnson of Walker's counsel told a Post-Dispatch reporter he would ask for a rehearing and would again insist that the St. Louis Probate Court was not jurisdiction of the Walker case. He said he would appeal from Judge Garesche's decision if a rehearing should not be granted. Walker's property is valued at \$750,000.

House Again Votes to Abolish Eight Subtreasuries. Bill Without Rider Is Sent Back to Conference—Measure Affects St. Louis.

WASHINGTON, May 13 (By A. P.).—The House today refused to recede from its action in voting to abolish eight United States subtreasuries and to send the measure to conference with the Senate. The measure, which would abolish the subtreasuries at Boston, Chicago, Cincinnati, New Orleans, New York, Philadelphia, St. Louis and San Francisco.

Rides Horse U Capitol Steps. Albany (N. Y.) Man Put Under Arrest in Washington. J. C. Gray of Albany, N. Y., came to town today, hired a horse and galloped halfway up the steps of the Capitol before the police stopped him. Gray explained to his captors that the country needed confidence and horse sense. He had the confidence, Gray explained, and added that the horse had the sense.

The policeman agreed with Gray, but sent him to a detention ward for mental observation.

TANK PULLED OUT OF HOLE AND PULLS OUT FOR CHICAGO

Crowd Standing in Rain Sees Britannia Escape From Clay of the River des Peres.

A gash in the south bank of River des Peres, near Art Hill, marks the scene of the rescue of the British tank Britannia, which was pulled out yesterday afternoon, after having been stuck in the clay of the chasm since 3:15 p. m. Saturday. The tank did not try to complete its program of stunts in the park, which was interrupted by the mishap, but made for the railroad tracks, near the Skinner road entrance, where a steel flat car was waiting to carry it to Chicago. The tank got away about 6 p. m., and Capt. Hulse and the crew left on a night train.

Two trouble wagons of the United Railways Co., with block and tackle and a steel cable, supplied the pull which was effected by the push of the tank's engine, took the fighting machine out of the ditch, 22 feet deep. After reaching level ground, the tank had a further mishap, in the breaking of one of the caterpillar belts on which the tank travels, but this was repaired. A large crowd, standing in the rain, but better protected against it than on the previous day, saw the escape and departure of the tank.

ST. LOUISAN BACK FROM RUSSIA

Charles D. Todebush, Accountant at Embassy, Tells of Departure From Petrograd.

Charles D. Todebush of 3448 Tenth street, chief accountant of the American embassy in Russia, has arrived in St. Louis, after having been on his way here since March 29. He traveled via Siberia and Japan.

He said that, so far as he knew, the attaches of the American embassy in Petrograd, and the American embassy in Moscow, a city about 300 miles east of Petrograd, and the same distance north of Moscow. The embassy removed from Petrograd, he said, when the Germans were within 75 miles of the capital and a considerable number of the embassy staff were evacuated. Francis, he said, was the last of the diplomats to leave Petrograd.

Todebush, after a brief visit with his wife and three children here, will go to Washington to report to the State Department. He was connected with the brokerage firm of Francis, Bro. & Co. before going to Russia with Ambassador Francis.

Todebush was last in Petrograd Feb. 24, he said. At that time the evacuation special train, carrying Americans, left Petrograd. He had the task of procuring the train, and he said that, because of the evacuation of the embassy staff, he was able to obtain a barrel of flour, part of the provisions obtained by him. The lack of food in Petrograd and other cities, he said, due to the disorganization of transportation, was a serious problem. His journey home, on the transsiberian express, was delayed by the precedence of trains carrying troops returning from the front.

He reached Vladivostok 30 days after leaving Vladivostok. He said that he had no official notice of the writ. For that reason Judge Garesche set aside all proceedings which followed the assumption of jurisdiction by the Probate Court and the trial of the case in the absence of Walker's attorneys was irregular and says that Walker is entitled to another hearing in the Probate Court and to be represented there by attorneys of his own choosing.

U. S. PRIVATE, FIRST TO LAND IN FRANCE, IS WOUNDED

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One of the American soldiers reported severely wounded in action in the casualty list printed Saturday was Private Richard Paul Jones of Trenton, Ill., a machine gunner, who had been in the American Expeditionary Force since June 27, 1917, on the Mexican border, where he underwent intensive training with the Eighteenth United States Infantry, stationed there.

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U. S. "Finger Print" Order Bothered Many Postmasters. Some Made Drawings of Entire Hands, and Some Only of Fingers and Sent Them In.

AUSTIN, Tex., May 13.—Some of the rural postmasters of this district have a remarkable conception of what is meant that "finger prints" shall be taken of all enemy aliens within their local jurisdiction. The records on file in the Austin postoffice, as sent in by these postmasters, contain some amusing results of the efforts of the postmasters to comply with the instructions for the registration of enemy aliens. In several cases the enemy alien was required to spread both of his hands upon a sheet of paper while the postmaster faithfully marked the outlines with a pencil or ink, and sent in the record of the "finger print" in that form.

In other instances the alien's four fingers, upon which lines were marked off upon two sheets of white paper. One postmaster, in order to be on the safe side, not only made a diagram of the alien enemy's hands, but also of his bare feet.

CUTS IN TRAIN SERVICE TO WEST

Passenger Schedules to Be Curtailed After June 2 on McCaddoo's Orders.

WASHINGTON, May 13 (By A. P.).—Director-General McCaddoo today ordered curtailment of transcontinental passenger schedules from Chicago west, effective June 2, to save 11,725,000 train miles a year, by eliminating competition and cutting down running schedules.

CANADIANS DISPLAY SURGICAL WONDERS

One of Five Disabled Soldiers Here Had Nerves of One Arm Grafted Into Other.

Private William Gregory, one of five disabled Canadian soldiers who are here today on their way to the Southwest in behalf of the Red Cross campaign, carries in his left arm a striking example of the wonders performed by army surgeons. Privates Eugene P. Cleveland, Alex. Menies and Charles Andrews, three other members of the party, have but one leg. W. McQuade, the fifth, also was wounded. All received their wounds during the various phases of the battle of the Somme.

Gregory was a member of a night working party which was attempting to dig communication trenches under fire, and which was hit by a shell, wounding all the members. The bone in his left arm was shattered and he lost complete use of the arm, but instead of amputating, the base hospital surgeons removed the bone fragments, and Gregory was sent to a Toronto hospital.

Nerves Are Transplanted. Two months ago nerves were taken from the right arm and grafted into the left arm, which was inanimate. The arm is now regaining sensibility, and in a few months a section of good bone is to be inserted in place of the shattered portions, which, if successful, will give Gregory normal use of his left arm.

The five soldiers are still patients at the Toronto Orthopedic Hospital and have been loaned by the Canadian army to the Southwest Division of the Red Cross to aid in the coming drive for \$100,000,000. McQuade and Menies will depart for Oklahoma City tonight and will speak in Oklahoma. Andrews will remain in Missouri, and Gregory and Cleveland will go to Texas tonight. Each will be accompanied by an official representative of the Red Cross.

Andrews was a member of a rescue party sent out in No. Man's Land to bring in British and Canadian soldiers wounded at the battle of Courcellette in September, 1915. The Germans shelled the party, the fragments of one shell lodging in his shin bone, which later necessitated amputation. Andrews was brought back to Canada in February, 1917, after being in a French hospital eight months.

Menies lost his right leg as the result of a shell wound suffered during the battle of Vimy Ridge. He was operating a machine gun when a shell struck his company's machine gun, and he was killed. Menies is now 25 years old and enlisted shortly after war started.

Cleveland, who is 23, lost his right leg in the battle of Courcellette. He was wounded in September, 1915, when an explosive bullet struck his leg. The three men who lost legs walk on crutches. They will not be discharged from the Canadian hospital until they are able to wear artificial limbs and are in a position to earn a living.

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MARINES OPEN DRIVE FOR 1000 RECRUITS

Five Men Obtained After Downtown Parade and Speeches at Two Places.

The Marine Corps started its drive at noon today for the 1000 recruits which St. Louis is expected to furnish this week. After a parade downtown, with a band leading, followed by four elephants ridden by marines and carrying "enlist" banners, the first meeting was held at the Liberty Statue in Twelfth street.

Lieut. F. E. Turin, recruiting officer for St. Louis, made an appeal for volunteers and the first man to respond was George B. Merriman, 20 years old, of 1943 Hodiadon avenue. L. P. Reagan, 37, an army veteran, of Omaha, Neb., was next and Charles Bond, 35, of 4811 North Market street, was third.

E. A. Talbot, 45 years old, wanted to get in. He is a disabled man, but Lieut. Turin held him up as an example to the younger men. From Twelfth street the procession moved to Sixth and St. Charles streets, where W. E. Billheimer, president of the Mercantile Club, made a speech from a dry goods box. He got two recruits.

Lieut. Turin asked for volunteers to work as recruiters during the week and several held up their hands.

OBSERVER CALLS REPTINION SOURCE OF MAURICE MISCHIEF

London Paper Demands That "Naturalized News" and "Treacher" Be Put Down.

LONDON, May 13 (By A. P.).—An article in the Observer says the letter of Major-General Maurice, accusing the Government of making misstatements about the military situation is "the most serious episode of public life during the war," and that the source of mischief is Col. Repton, military critic, working through the Morning Post, "and in that dubious sheet, the 'Naturalized News'."

The "Naturalized News" is the National News, a Sunday paper started by a naturalized alien, whose antecedents, the paper says, "ought to have prevented the Board of Trade from giving him a license."

The Observer declares the whole aim of the intrigue is to stab in the back the present chief of the imperial staff, Major-General Sir Henry Wilson, because Col. Repton has a private enmity against him, and because the General has been the chief military advocate of allied unity of command. The paper says the intention is attempting to bring the war administration into disrepute, breed dissension among the allies, especially between Premier Lloyd George and the British Government.

The Government put down treachery and assert the constitutional control of the army. "The ramifications of the recent mutiny must be traced," it adds.

CHARLES ON A VISIT TO GERMAN GREAT HEADQUARTERS

Emperor Accompanied by Baron Burian; Austria's Existence as Separate State a Question.

AMSTERDAM, May 13 (By A. P.).—A Vienna dispatch reports that Emperor Charles, who has been on a visit to the Italian front, departed Friday for German great headquarters. He was accompanied by Baron Burian, Minister of Foreign Affairs, and Field Marshal Arco von Straussenburg, Austrian chief of staff.

Emperor Charles has made Baron Burian a Hungarian Count, in recognition of his services in connection with the conclusion of peace with Rumania. A legal and political supplementary treaty has been concluded between Austria-Hungary and Rumania, according to Vienna advices. A similar treaty has been concluded with Germany.

ZURICH, May 13 (By A. P.).—Negotiations which will decide the future relations of Germany and Austria-Hungary will be discussed by the German and Austrian plenipotentiaries at the Frankfurter Zeitung. These negotiations, it is added, may be characterized as a pragmatic alliance—a military and customs union. A Vienna dispatch reports that the plenipotentiaries are in the process of negotiating a separate Austrian state is possible. This is denied both by the South Slavs and the German provinces. One party desires the state to consist of a number of small sovereign states, each with its own foreign policy. The other party demands a return to the German federation, which would render harmless the centrifugal efforts of the smaller nations and nationalities. The outcome of this condition of chaos, the Frankfurter Zeitung declares, is still uncertain.

GERMANS SAID TO BE HOLDING TWO RUSSIAN GRAND DUKES

Former Dowager Empress Also Reported to Have Been Seized at Dulbar, Near Alnodor, in the Caucasus.

AMSTERDAM, May 13 (By A. P.).—The Ukrainian press bureau has received information from Odessa, according to which the former Dowager Empress Maria Fiodorovna and Grand Duke Nicholas Nikolaevich (Nicholas) were seized at Dulbar, near Alnodor, in the Caucasus, and are being held in the hands of the German military.

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BORGUM ACCUSES BAKER OF HELPING TO DECEIVE NATION

"Secretary a Party to Untrue Statements, Serving Only to Warn Germany to Rush Planes," He Writes.

NEW LETTER TO PRESIDENT BARED

Demands Senate Military Committee Make Investigation Which He Was 'Prevented From Making.'

WASHINGTON, May 12 (B. A. P.).—Gutzon Borgum has made public another letter to President Wilson, denying that he had betrayed the President's confidence, renewing his assertions of grave misconduct in the Government aircraft production organization and insisting that the Senate Military Committee should conduct openly and thoroughly the investigation which he says he was prevented from making "by the War Department under Secretary Baker."

In regard to the documents put into the Senate record Friday designed to show that the sculptor attempted to capitalize his friendship with the President by secretly organizing a corporation to produce airplanes, the letter says Senator Brandegee, of Connecticut will submit to the Senate Tuesday or Wednesday detailed evidence and affidavits relating to "this deliberate frame-up."

"It is a matter of the gravest concern to me," it adds, "that credence should be given to charges of such a nature, or that they could have been in your possession, and I have received no intimation of the falsehood until Mr. Marshall intimated that there was some sort of a charge or charges of disloyalty to you. This is so unthinkable that I dismissed and declined to even discuss them."

Says Nation Is Deceived,

Borgum repeats his published answer to the charges and continues: "It is absurd to state that pro-Germans are clamoring for investigation while the Secretary of War is a party to statements, untrue and unfounded, intended to deceive the nation and serving no other possible purpose except to warn Germany to hurry her own airplane production as we are forever and forever 'just at the peak of production.'"

"Never, I believe, in the history of the country, has a group of men been given so completely a nation's resources, together with the administration and the people's confidence, as have the aircraft men. I never saw such confidence been more wantonly abused. I refer here to Major-General Squier, Howard E. Coffin, Col. Deeds and Col. Montgomery. These civilian and military members appear everywhere in the program planned to meet our military needs—and they appear everywhere in the deliberate and elaborate machinery that placed and held the colossal contracts among a few—they appear everywhere in the fine network of falsehood and camouflage, and they include Mr. Baker, as their partner in the common statements to the public—they deliberately lied to you and framed up their statements, particularly their failures, and misleading Congress before the Senate Military Committee, and they directly are responsible for no engines, no planes, no propellers, and our vanished appropriations."

Demands Investigation.

"Had there not been this palpitant effort to discredit me with you and impugn my honor on the floor of the Senate, I might have, with the rest of America, though with shame and anger, still been holding my peace, waiting and watching for the interminable shifting from one department to the other of responsibilities that can only at the door of the executive members of the Aircraft Board. The scurrilous slander by Deed's friend was a foul and unfair blow, and the circumstances of its importance, and the purpose to that end, have, I would say, given it abnormal public interest and unusual publicity."

"This Mr. President, compels me to demand that the investigation by the Military Committee of the Senate shall be complete and exhaustive in the matters relating to aircraft production. As these charges have been brought before the Senate, the interference by the War Department, under Mr. Baker, prevents me from securing proper evidence."

"I know you will agree with me in this, that I have a right to demand that you know no harm can come to anyone but those who are guilty."

"I am loyal to you as our President, and, even better, I am loyal to your thought as so often expressed touching the state of the world and the nation's mission, and I shall remain so, but I am not loyal to, nor will I support men or methods inimicable to our country's good, planned to deceive you and the nation, and discredit us in the eyes of the world."

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A Liquid Digestive Laxative pleasant to take. Just try one 50c bottle for indigestion or Constipation.—Adv.

Daniels Commends Seaman.

WASHINGTON, May 13 (By A. P.).—Seaman Elmer Dimes Arnold of Indianapolis, who was in charge of a naval gun crew on the American gunboat Chicago when that vessel was attacked by a submarine, has been commended by Secretary Daniels.

Members of the Polish Mission Who Were Guests of St. Louis Sunday



Left to right—Major Kozlowski, head of the Mission, and Capt. Pawel Kleczkowski.

'Getting Together' Singer Tells of Concert at Front

Lieut. Gitz Rice, Song Writer, Who Will Be at Jefferson Tonight, Relates How Barrels, Formed Stage Near Messines.

Song-laureate of the armies of the many claims might be advanced for British empire I sa title to which Lieut. Gitz Rice of the first Canadian contingent, who, at the opening performance of "Getting Together" tonight at the Jefferson Theater, will sing a number of the war ditties which he composed while in the artillery on the Western front. Among them are the much-quoted "O My, I Don't Want to Die," and the one with the chorus:

We stopped 'em at the Marne,
We beat 'em at the Aisne,
We gave 'em hell at Neuve Chapelle,
And here we are again.
To which, in honor of the entrance of the United States into the war, he has added the following lines:

France stopped 'em at Verdun,
You can't forget Bepree,
Now America's here to help us,
So it's to hell with Germanee.

The composer was sales manager of a piano firm in Montreal at the beginning of the war, and played the piano and organ, although, as he says, he "never had \$10 worth of music lessons." On Aug. 4, 1914, he was present at a banquet in Montreal, and next morning 50 out of the 62 guests volunteered, including himself. He was then 23 years old, and remarks that he has celebrated four birthdays in khaki. He started as a private, and won his commission in the field. He was gassed about a year ago, spent five months in a hospital, and being disabled for further service, was assigned to recruiting duty in the United States. "Getting Together" is being presented under the auspices of the British-Canadian Recruiting Mission.

Tells of Concert at Messines.

One of the most picturesque scenes which Lieut. Rice recalls occurred about a year ago some two miles south of Messines Ridge. He was determined to give a concert, and called for volunteers to go with him to a neighboring village, under shell fire, where a piano might be found. They started off in a wagon and found an instrument, badly smashed, but still capable of emitting sounds. On the way back four of the 10 men were wounded, but they were in the highest of spirits because the injuries were severe enough to send them to "Blighty."

"As we drove back along the road," he related today to a Post-Dispatch reporter, "we were passing thousands of infantrymen moving up to the front. So I got a box, sat down at the piano, and as we went along sang and played 'Tipperary' and 'Mother Machree.' The highway was being bombarded, but the men along the roadside all joined in the singing. There was such a joyous din that one Tommy ran out and yelled: 'Has peace been declared?' I told him no, but that if they kept on singing that way we would go home with victory."

"The place chosen for the concert was off the road, in a sort of natural amphitheater. The mud was more than two feet deep, so we made a stage by sinking barrels in the mud and putting boards upon them. The program opened at 7:30 o'clock, with myself at the piano and six fellows who sang and another who played the violin. It became dark at 9:30 o'clock, but the 6000 men who formed our audience had not had enough, and lighted campfires all around. I called for volunteers, and one man after another, who could sing a song or give a recitation or tell a story, came forward. They ranged from the commanding officer to the cook. One was a man named Davidson, a singer from the Covent Garden opera. We kept him busy for an hour."

Concert lasted till 4:30 a. m.

"At 11 o'clock an officer gave us a

gas alarm, but the Tommies merely got out their gas helmets. I remember that I put mine on my music rack. Our fires attracted the attention of the Germans and several shells were sent over, but did not budge the audience. We had all kinds of music, from 'Annie Laurie' to grand opera. And when you think those music-hungry Tommies, famished and mud-covered, finally let us quit? It was 4:50 o'clock the next morning. And the time they had joined in the choruses as if their very lives depended on it."

Lieut. Rice had never attempted to write a song before he went to France. His first production, written after the 1915 battle of Ypres, was the one with the chorus: "O my, I don't want to die, I want to go home." This refrain cannot be understood, he says, until you hear a chorus of Anglo-Saxons intoning it with a satirical whine. "Of course," he says, "there's not a man in France who really wants to go home until the war is settled and settled right. The way to make the Tommy laugh is to sing about his troubles. And if you can get a man to laugh he is the best soldier in the world."

A few months later, he wrote, "We stopped 'em at the Marne," which spread through the English armies. Lieut. Gitz wrote most of his own words, as well as the music, but gratefully acknowledges his indebtedness to other soldiers, often private, who went to him whenever they got an idea for a song. For instance, he says he owes to a private since killed, the thought in another popular song, which runs, with its lugubrious beginning and its inevitable outburst of humor at the end, as follows:

Are we going to be here for the winter, the winter, the winter?
Why are we sticking round here all the time?
When we should have those sons-o-guns over the Rhine?
In the mud we haven't much chance.
But think of the Scotties that never wear pants.
Says Men Want Humorous Songs.
The chorus of Tommies, this comical, always found immense gusto in coming in on the words "the winter, the winter, the winter," with a thunderous roar, each phrase more vociferous than the preceding one. He calls attention to the fact that none of the songs written at the front talk of "getting the Kaiser's scalp" or of what will be done when the allies get to Berlin.

"What the men want is to be made to laugh," he explained. But some sentimental airs are favorites. His opinion is that the two most popular songs in the British armies are "If Hear You Calling Me" and "Mother McCree."

The composer took part in three battles at Ypres, and says that of the 150 men who originally composed his battery, only five are left today, the others having been killed or permanently disabled.

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WOMEN AND GIRLS JOIN IN PARADE

Selden P. Spencer Acts as Marshal for Line of Several Thousand Persons in March to Meeting.

At the close of a speech in Polish by Capt. Pawel Kleczkowski, member of the Military Mission of the Polish Army in France, at the Armory, Grand avenue and Market street, yesterday afternoon, 25 young men worked their way through the

aisles packed with standing people to the platform and pledged themselves to enlist in the Polish Legion. Their action was applauded vigorously by the great mass meeting, composed principally of the Poles and other Slav peoples of St. Louis, assembled to honor the Polish Mission.

The object of the visit of the Polish Mission to the United States is to obtain recruits for the Polish Army in France, which now numbers about 20,000. This army is fighting under its own standard, the Polish battle flag—a white eagle on a red field. St. Louis Poles at the mass meeting were disappointed that Lieut. Stanislaw Poniatowski, a lineal descendant of one of the kings of ancient Poland, did not come to St. Louis. He was to have spoken at the mass meeting, but he missed railroad connections.

Fought With the French.

The head of the mission is Maj. Jozef Koslowski, who fought with the French army from the beginning of the war until a separate Polish unit was recognized. He also spoke in Polish at the mass meeting. He entered the French army some 25 years ago and rose from the ranks. In 1916 he was decorated as a chevalier of the French Legion of Honor for gallantry in action.

Parade to Armory.

The mass meeting followed a parade from the Polish Hall, Ninth street and Cass avenue, to the armory. Several thousand Poles were in line. Among them were many women and girls of the Women's Aid Society for the Polish army. A detachment of mounted police led the parade and Selden P. Spencer, chairman of the District Draft Board, in his uniform as a Captain in the Home Guard, acted as marshal.

Waving from end to end of the parade were the colors of the American flag, the Polish battle flag and the national flag of Poland. The last is two wide bars, one of white and the other of red. Many of the girls and young men wore native Polish costumes of bright colors. The parade went west on Cass avenue to Grand avenue and then south to the Armory. It was reviewed by the members of the mission from a stand at the side of Grand avenue, just north of the Armory. During the review and for a good part of the time it was marching a drizzling rain was falling.

The meeting was opened by Frank Grodzki, chairman of the Citizens' Committee for Reception of the Polish Mission. He introduced Claude L. Matthews, chairman of the St. Louis branch of the Military Training Camps Association, under whose auspices the mass meeting was arranged. Matthews introduced former Judge Spencer, who acted as permanent chairman. The invocation was said by Archbishop Glennon.

Adjutant-General Clark of Missouri spoke briefly, welcoming the mission in behalf of Gov. Gardner. Mayor Kiel welcomed the mission in behalf of the city. John S. Leach, a lawyer, also spoke, reviewing briefly the tragic history of Poland as a nation and the history of the Poles in America.

"Whole Poland, Not a Part."

The two members of the mission who spoke expressed the aspirations of the Polish people again to enjoy national unity and have their nation made free and independent. Capt. Kleczkowski said that what the Poles desire is a "whole Poland, not a part." He said that all the Polish

men of military age in France are with the colors, and that if the Polish army there is to be kept up its recruits must come from America, where there are about 4,000,000 Poles. The Poles in Poland are held in subjugation by the Germans and are not free to leave the country to join their army in France.

The members of the mission were met at Union Station at 8 a. m. by a committee from the Chamber of Commerce and the Citizens' Committee of Poles and taken to Hotel Jefferson for breakfast. In the party, besides Maj. Koslowski and Capt. Kleczkowski, were Lieut. Frank Krawczyk, Lieut. J. Tomaszewski and Private J. Celka of the Serbian army.

Visitors at Cathedral.

At 10 a. m. the visitors attended mass at the New Cathedral, where Archbishop Glennon was the celebrant. The Archbishop declared that in this war America and the Poles and other victims of German ruthlessness have a common purpose.

"If there be one determining note in America's international life," he said, "it there be a dominant purpose in her entering the war, it is that the down-trodden and oppressed nations of Europe may obtain their natural right of self-determination. This is of the very genius and soul of this American nation of ours. It was that principle that standard lifted aloft, which brought on the war of the revolution—a war that was entered into in order that these colonies might obtain the right to govern themselves—the principle of self-determination."

"These are days when justice must obtain, and to that cause, blessed of God, the armies of the United States, the army of Poland, the army of the

allies are today united and consecrated. Nor will we say that that spirit is altogether removed from the hearts of the people of the enemy countries. The principle of military domination, the right of conquest, appears today to be driven back to a small military group whose domination, we hope, soon will end, and the peoples of the earth will rise to proclaim their right to self-government."

Luncheon at St. Louis Club.

After the mass mission luncheon at the St. Louis Club. The entertainment of the visitors ended with a banquet in the evening at Hotel Jefferson. Addresses were made by Gus V. R. Mechin, former Gov. Joseph W. Folk, Capt. Kleczkowski, Claude L. Matthews, Maj. George W. Goode, recruiting officer of the United States army, and James R. Dunn, chairman of the Americanization Committee of the Chamber of Commerce. The mission departed at midnight for Omaha.

ICE DEALERS TO MEET TODAY

Second Conference of East St. Louis Merchants to Discuss High Price.

A meeting of about 40 officials of East St. Louis ice manufacturing plants has been called for this afternoon by A. H. Diehm, food administrator of St. Clair County, to obtain an explanation of the high price of ice on the East Side.

Ice dealers charge 60 cents a hundred pounds for ice, although the price in Chicago is 50 cents and in St. Louis 40 cents. This is the second hearing in a week, the first having been without result. The hearings are the result of protests of East St. Louis women's organizations.

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WASHINGTON, May 12.—There is almost no newspaper in the world that does not have a page devoted to the war. The American people are interested in the war, and the war is the most important event in the world's history.

For those American who grow weary in the war, there is a new book, "The War in the Air," by a group of American aviators. It is a book that will give you a new perspective on the war.

Proud of Year's

The corps is proud of the year's work. It has been a year of great achievement and progress. The corps has many things to be proud of.

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WATERWORKS ASSOCIATION

CONVENTION TO

Major Kiel to Address

About 500 Expected to Attend the Thirty-Sixth Annual Convention of the American Water Works Association at the Planters Hotel, St. Louis, May 14-16.

Following the Program

tomorrow an illustration will be given by George V. Leach, who will deal with the construction work of the city. Another speaker on the program will be Maj. P. Junkerfeldt.

MUSICIANS WANTED

Recruiting Office Here lists 1000 Men in This Month. With a total of 30 men for the week of night, the St. Louis Recruiting Office announced that if the present rate continues, it will have more than 1000 men by the end of the month.

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"Plane News," Edited by Men in France, a Review of Minstrels and Concerts

War Anniversary Issue Praises Achievements of U. S. in First Year—Paraphraser Discovers "Height of Misfortune."

WASHINGTON, May 13 (By A. P.).—There is almost no trace of the horrors of war in Plane News, a newspaper edited and printed by soldiers of the American expeditionary force in France. The war anniversary issue, dated "On Active Service, April 6, 1918," just received here, tells of minstrels and vaudeville, symphony concerts and literary contests, and the little every-day complaints of the men of the aviation corps.

For those Americans back home who grow weary in well doing, the newspaper is one grand topic of optimism. Stretching across the top of the first of the paper's four pages is the paraphrase of Secretary Redfield's famous letter to his bureau chiefs:

"Forget how things were done before the war. Eliminate red tape. We must learn with the German that the war won't wait. Delay is the Kaiser's ally."

Proud of Year's Achievements. The corps is proud of what has been accomplished in the first year of war. Prominence is given in the paper to an official communication from Brigadier-General B. D. Foullois, chief of the air service, to Lieutenant-Colonel Walter G. Kliner, commanding officer of the post, saying that the progress made has met with high approval from both Secretary Baker, whose picture, sketched by an army artist, appears on another page, and Pershing.

An article reviewing the tremendous expansion of the Signal Corps appears under the signature of Cadet William B. Stone of Kansas City, Mo., formerly of the San Francisco and Chicago offices of the Associated Press, in which he quotes high officer as declaring, confidently:

"When the American airplanes are ready for the front, we will have pilots to drive them."

Cadets Have Minstrel Show. But it is with the recreation of the students and pilots that the paper is chiefly concerned. William Janau-

shek of New York, doing Y. M. C. A. work with the army, organized a minstrel show among the aviation cadets which was pronounced without an equal among A. E. F. shows. From ragtime the paper turns to concertos for diversion. A 75-piece symphony orchestra is being organized under the leadership of Lieut. von Eastorf. When music fails, there is wrestling with trophies for the champions. For the less brassy, literary contests are provided, with prizes for the funniest poem and the funniest story dealing with army life. Professional players also are in France to help the boys in their fight by giving them wholesome amusement. Elsie Janis was booked to appear twice at the main "Y."

The "Height of Misfortune." Then there are numerous informal notes about some of the personnel, which perhaps never were intended to percolate back to the states. Under the caption of "What a Uniform Can Do," the exploits of "Harvey, 18th," are recounted. It is alleged that he receives 13 letters daily and openly boasts that he has a girl in Columbus, San Antonio, Arkansas City, St. Louis, Toledo, Cleveland, New York, Brooklyn and Los Angeles. For some reason, the name of the last town was camouflaged by dashes.

"The Height of Misfortune" has been found by the camp paraphraser. He records: "An officer and a cadet on this post correspond with the same girl back home, and said officer censors the cadet's mail." The tragedy of war has found reflection, however, in the midst of the merry-making. Touched by the sufferings of the people among whom they are living, the boys have adopted several French war orphans. Chronicling the fact that Plane News has adopted an orphan, the paper says: "The boys, from the skipper right down to the printer's devil, have contributed to the support of the little French 'demoiselle.'"

The managing editor of Plane News is Capt. F. Kearney.

WATERWORKS ASSOCIATION CONVENTION TO OPEN TONIGHT

Mayor Kiel to Address Delegates—About 500 Expected; Executive Committee Session Today.

About 500 delegates are expected to attend the thirty-eighth annual convention of the American Water Works Association this week at the Planters Hotel. Arrivals are being registered today and the convention will be opened tonight with an address by Mayor Kiel and a reception and dance in the hotel. The Executive Committee of the organization, of which Theodore E. Leisen is chairman, is in session today.

Following the President's address tomorrow an illustrated lecture will be given by George W. Fuller. This lecture will deal with "Emergency Construction Work Due to War Conditions." Another paper of interest on the program will be one read by Maj. P. Junkerfeld tomorrow evening. It will deal with the management of public utilities in cantonments.

An extensive program of entertainment has been provided for the delegates and their wives. This program includes a visit to the Anheuser-Busch brewery tomorrow and a card party for the ladies in the Planters Hotel tomorrow night. On Wednesday afternoon a boat trip has been provided. The men will close the day with a smoker and cabaret at American Annex Hotel. The ladies will be taken for an auto ride Thursday afternoon, and the trip will be followed by an informal dance in the evening.

MUSICIANS WANTED FOR NAVY

Recruiting Office Here Hopes to Enlist 1000 Men in Service This Month.

With a total of 301 actual enlistments for the week ending Saturday night, the St. Louis Navy Recruiting Office announced this morning that if the present rate could be kept up, enlistments for May would be more than 1000.

An special appeal is being made to draft registrants to obtain release from their local boards and enroll in the navy for the duration of the war. Special calls came last week for musicians, especially clarinet players, machinists and firemen. Thus far, the response to these appeals has not been heavy.

ARMY HONORS BILL SUBMITTED

Measure Provides for Decorations for Soldiers Distinguishing Themselves.

WASHINGTON, May 13 (By A. P.).—The War Department's plan for awarding honor decorations to soldiers distinguishing themselves in the service was submitted today in an administration bill forwarded by Secretary Baker as a substitute for measure pending in Congress.

The decorations proposed are a medal of honor, a distinguished service cross and a distinguished service medal. All decorations under the bill could be awarded by an army commander in the field. As no second decorations could be awarded the bill proposes additional bars or other insignia to be worn on the emblem previously won. A pay increase of \$2 monthly to enlisted men for each decoration and additional bar would be given by the bill.

A cottage with a large yard—see Post-Dispatch Wants.

STIX, BAER & FULLER One Delivery a Day Co-operating with the Government in conserving man power, no goods will be delivered on day of purchase. STIX, BAER & FULLER

A Wonderful Array of Economy Items for Tuesday in Our

Six Day Underselling Campaign

A great listing of items which have been carefully chosen, and which demonstrate in a positive manner our supremacy in underselling. Every item is worthy the occasion, and every article is new, desirable and dependable in quality. NO MAIL OR TELEPHONE ORDERS CAN BE FILLED.



Wonderful Trimmed Hats at \$10.00

THIS offering is a noteworthy underselling feature. The Hats are fresh and new, direct from a New York Fifth Avenue milliner, and secured at a fraction of their true worth, especially for this event. There are Dress, Street, Sports, Embroidered and Georgette Crepe Hats, trimmed with flowers and burnt effects. There are also Felt-and-Straw Combinations, in black, white and wanted colors. They have first showing tomorrow. (Third Floor.)

Silk Stockings, Pair

WOMEN'S Thread Silk 79c
Stockings, white and all wanted colors. Splendid wear, reinforced with double line splittings at wearing points. (Main Floor.)

Men's Cotton Socks

BLACK, white and colors. 17c
Medium weight, reinforced in heels and toes. 3 pairs, 50c (Main Floor.)

Infants' Footwear, Pr.

STRAP Slippers and Barefoot Sandals, of patent leather, white kid and white canvas. Hand-turned soles. All sizes to 8. (Main Floor.)

Liberty Shoe Dressing

WHITE Shoe Dressing for buck or canvas shoes. 15c
Regular size bottles. (Main Floor.)

Boudoir Slippers

SOFT colored leathers, in red, pink, blue and tan, or flowered fabrics. All finished with silk pompons, leather soles and all sizes. (Main Floor.)

Bloomer Drawers

CHILDREN'S, of cross-bar nainsook, elastic knee. Sizes 2 to 10 years. Very special value. (Second Floor.)

Silk Petticoats

ABOUT 75 sample Petticoats, taffetas, in jersey tops and a few wash satins—in a variety of styles, and every Petticoat an exceptional value. (Second Floor.)

Wash Petticoats

SEERSUCKER gingham, 59c
in blue and gray stripes, with sectional ruffle. (Second Floor.)

Women's Sweaters

PRETTY, soft shetland, in wool sweaters, in all the newest colorings. Sailor collar, pockets and sash. All sizes. (Second Floor.)

Roller Skates, Pr.

"UTON" Roller Skates, \$1.65
for boys and girls. These are the extension kind, which fits any shoe. (Second Floor Annex.)

Washable Knickers

BOYS' Washable Knickers, 98c
of olive drab khaki, linen crash and beach cloth, all fast colors. Out extra full and made with belt loops, watch and hip pockets. Sizes 6 to 18 years. (Square 2—Main Floor.)

Children's Socks, Pr.

SAMPLE Lisle Thread, Cotton and Silk Socks, 29c
plain and with fancy turnover tops. Double heels and toes. Variety of styles. (Escalator Sq.—Main Floor.)

Fireproof Casseroles

BROWN outside and white lined, 7-inch size. 24c
(Fifth Floor.)

Stamped Gowns

WOMEN'S Nightgowns, full size, made of good quality nainsook, semi-made and stamped in simple designs. Exceptional value. (Second Floor.)

Lunch Cloths, Each

FORTY-FIVE-INCH size, with attractive drawn-work designs, and some with hand-embroidered combination. (Second Floor.)

Crash Toweling, Yd.

FIFTEEN HUNDRED yds. of fine quality Bleached Crash Toweling, good, heavy weight, 17 inches wide, with neat red border. (Second Floor.)

Treco Corsets

HIGH-GRADE make, in the popular Treco \$1.85 mesh material, which is light, cool and ideal for Summer or athletic wear. Very low bust, long skirt, boned with whalebone. All sizes. (Second Floor.)

Printed Voiles, Yd.

A BEAUTIFUL assortment of this season's newest patterns on white or tinted ground, 38 inches wide. (Square 6—Main Floor.)

Silk Gloves, Pr.

WHITE Silk Gloves, \$1.00
slip-on and two-clasp styles, heavy embroidered back and double tipped fingers. (Main Floor.)

Handkerchief Linen

SEVEN HUNDRED yards of very fine quality White Handkerchief Linen, warranted every thread pure linen, and a beautiful, sheer quality. Yard wide. Very popular for waists and children's dresses. (Second Floor.)

Men's Gloves, Pr.

TRICOT Silk Gloves, in tan, brown, chamdis and gray—some have heavy embroidered backs. Double finger tips. (Main Floor.)

Novelty Laces, Yd.

AN importer's samples and show pieces of Laces—Vals, Shadow, Cluny, Point de Paris and other novelties. Edges, insertions and bands, in white and ecru, and in widths ranging up to 4 inches. All are renowned. (Main Floor.)

Sewing Cotton, Dz. Sps.

KING'S Sewing Cotton, white or black, best 24c numbers. (Limit one dozen to buyer.)

Brassieres, Special

BIG assortment of Brassieres and Corsets, in white and pink—hook-front and hook-back styles. Sizes 34 to 46 in the lot.

Umbrellas—Special

A LOT of 1800 serviceable Umbrellas, built on strong Paragon frames, covered with good quality American taffeta. 26 and 28 inch sizes. Some with slight imperfection.

Men's Silk Socks

FIBER Silk Socks, in black—also Colored Cotton Socks. Slightly irregular. 12 1/2c

Men's Work Shirts

BLUE Work Shirts, with faced sleeves, double buttoned and collar attached. Slightly irregular. Limit three to customer.

Summer Corsets

SAMPLE Corsets, in net and batiste. Several 59c styles and good size assortment. Low and medium bust, boned with steel. While a lot of 25 dozen last.

Jap Silks, Yd.

SOLID colors, in a variety of shades in these Jap Silks (silk and lisle). Damaged on salvage.

Coupons for 1st and 2d Liberty Bonds

will be accepted for merchandise now or cashed if you prefer—bring them here.

Men's Silk Shirts

GOOD grade tub silk, with satin and colored stripes. Soft turn-back cuffs. All sizes. \$3.15
(Men's Store—Main Floor.)

Tiffin Tables, Each

COLLAPSIBLE Tables, of fine quality, with two removable bamboo trays, which are ideal as a serving table, for magazines, etc. (Oriental Bazaar—Sixth Floor.)

Tablecloths, Each

PATTERN Tablecloths of fine quality, bleached foreign damask. Measure 70x70 inches, hemmed, ready for use. Limit of two to a customer. (Second Floor.)

Face Cloths, Doz.

SIX HUNDRED dozen genuine absorbent face cloths, with pink, blue or plain white overlocked edges. Limit two dozen to customer. (Second Floor.)

Foulard Tussah Silk

PRETTY figures and dots on navy, black or gray ground, 26 inches wide. (Downstairs Store.)

Mohair Skirtings, Yd.

SUMMER Skirtings in wide two-tone sport stripes. Material is 32 inches wide. (Second Floor.)

Plaid Skirtings, Yd.

five different color combinations. 40 inches wide. (Second Floor.)

Dress Taffetas, Yd.

GRAND-LEADER brand, pure-dye Black Chiffon Dress Taffeta. 36 inches wide. (Second Floor.)

Hose Supporters, Pr.

"VELVET Grip" elastic Pin-on Hose Supporters, black or white and all sizes. (Main Floor.)

"Growers Bond," 25 for

HANDMADE Cigars. Twenty-five in humidor tin. (Men's Store—Main Floor.)

Real Fillet Laces, Yd.

HANDMADE Fillet Laces, well made, in pretty designs for dainty neckpieces, trimming waists, etc. (Main Floor.)

Men's Union Suits

CHECKED nainsook, good quality, with elastic waistband and closed crotch. All sizes. (Square 14—Main Floor.)

Men's Belt and Buckle

LEATHER Belt with Sterling silver buckle, in a variety of designs, plain hammered and enameled. Sizes 30 to 40. (Main Floor Jewelry Section.)

Children's Rompers

SOLID-COLORED seersucker, long neck, short sleeve style. Sizes 2 and 4 years. Just a limited quantity to offer.

Georgine, Crepes, Yd.

SILK-WRAP, crepe-like, weave, in light blue and lavender only. 36 inches wide. On sale Tuesday at less than mill price today.

Women's Cotton Vests

FINE Sea Island yarn, mercerized, tape. Sleeveless style. Slightly irregular.

Crochet Cotton, 6 Balls

RICHARDSON'S "Blue Bird" Crochet Cotton, white or colors. 20c

Women's Gloves, Pr.

SILK and Chamotte Gloves, white, black and colors, two-clasp styles. Second of better qualities.

Unbleached Muslins, Yd.

SEA Island Muslin, unbleached. 39 inches wide.

Jap Silks, Yd.

SOLID colors, in a variety of shades in these Jap Silks (silk and lisle). Damaged on salvage.

Men's Footwear, Pair

HIGH Shoes and Low Oxfords, in tan or black. Practically every size in one style or another in the lot, and at the price they are a remarkable value. (Men's Store—Main Floor.)

Bath Towels, Each

BLEACHED double thread Terry Cloth Bath Towels, extra heavy, priced much below regular. (Second Floor.)

Hair Nets, Dozen

"AMERICAN Lady" Human Hair Nets, all colors excepting gray or white. (Limit one dozen to buyer.) (Main Floor.)

Linen Handkerchiefs

MEN'S Pure Lisle Linen Handkerchiefs, full size, neatly hemstitched and all perfect. Another lot at, each, 33c (Buying limit of one dozen.) (Main Floor.)

Linen Handkerchiefs

WOMEN'S Pure Lisle Linen Handkerchiefs, fine quality, with 1/4-inch hemstitched hems. A lot of 700 dozen to offer, and with a limit of one dozen to a customer. A very special value. (Main Floor.)

Men's Cloth Hats

LIGHT and dark gray and checks, with sash band. All sizes. (Men's Store—Main Floor.)

Bead Necklaces

THE popular Wilson Red Necklaces, of cut graduated beads. (Main Floor.)

Mattress Suitcases

HEAVY fiber matting, bound with steel, \$1.10 steel covers, good look and bolts. Extra deep. 24-inch size. (Second Floor Annex.)

Stokes' Encyclopedia

COMPLETE one-volume Encyclopedia—98c
concise work printed on thin paper, with maps and illustrations—over 1600 pages, quarto size. Limited quantity. (Second Floor.)

Silver-Plated Dish

CHEESE and Cracker Dish, heavily silver-plated on nickel base. Pierced design. (Main Floor.)

Hair Switches

FIRST quality, natural wavy, cut-hair Switches, in all shades and gray. 18 and 20 inch sizes, and including those with separate stems. A remarkable value. (Third Floor.)

Service Bags, Each

MERCERIZED Service Bag, large and 79c roomy, in black, navy or gray. Covered 9-inch frame. (Main Floor.)

Silk Gloves, Pr.

WOMEN'S Gloves of fine Milanese silk, in the 73c popular shades of gray, pongee and white. Double tipped fingers, two-clasp and Paris point stitching.

Baby Flouncings, Yd.

SWISS Baby Flouncings, 39c
embroidered in small, Frenchy designs, finished with ruffled scalloped edges.

Handkerchiefs, 6 for

WOMEN'S soft-finished Lawn Handkerchiefs, with initials embroidered in colors, novelty designs, and finished with colored rolled edges.

Napkins, 6 for

DINNER Napkins, 22-in., of bleached mercerized damask, hemmed, ready for use. Slight seconds.

Dress Gingham, Yd.

GOOD quality Zephyr Dress Gingham, in solid colors, checks and stripes. Lengths of 3 to 8 yards.

Dress Poplins, Yd.

FINE, highly mercerized Poplins, in solid fast-black.

Curtainings, Yd.

FINE Voiles with hemstitched band and 19c dainty colored figures—also Plain Colored Marquisettes, in rose or brown, and Swiss Muslins with colored dots and figures.

Congoleum Rugs

ONE-PIECE Art Rugs, size 6x9 ft., in a number of choice Oriental and floral effects. Slight seconds.

"Leader" Coffee, Lb.

HIGH-GRADE and of excellent flavor. Freshly roasted and packed in airtight cartons. 3 lbs. for 60c

Pure Spices, Box

CINNAMON, Pepper, Paprika, Ginger, Allspice, etc., all freshly ground. (Downstairs Store.)



Underselling Beautiful Blouses

CLOTHING of extreme beauty and of the highest quality have been assembled for this sale. Specially featured are two groups at the following prices:

At \$10.00—Are Costly Blouses of finest Georgette, beautifully beaded or embroidered—some with real lace combinations, others handmade, of batiste, all embroidered and hand-tucked.

At \$3.49—Are about 400 domestic Georgette, in all of the lovely light shades. Some are embroidered, some beaded, others tastefully lace trimmed. (Third Floor.)

Comfort Cloth, 12 Yds.

ONE HUNDRED bolts of this fine well-known fabric, 36 inches wide, for children's fine dresses and undergarments. (Second Floor.)

Bedspreads, Each

BEAUTIFUL Satin Marseilles Bedspreads, hemmed, and measure 90x100 inches. (Second Floor.)

White Batiste, Yd.

LINGERIE Batiste, with soft French finish, 39 inches wide, for fine waists and children's wear. (Second Floor.)

Dotted Swiss, Yd.

VERY sheer quality, with small pin dots. 36 inches wide. Limit 10 yards to customer. (Second Floor.)

Transformations, Ea.

ALL-AROUND Transformations, of first quality 16 and 18-inch hair, 2 1/2-oz. weight—all shades, including gray, very specially priced. (Third Floor.)

Hair Goods to Order

SWITCHES and Transormation made from your combings cleaned and rooted, at this special price for Tuesday only. (Third Floor.)

Marquisettes, Yd.

CURTAIN Marquisette, highly mercerized, crossbar design, in white only. Very serviceable, easily laundered and makes dainty curtains. (Fourth Floor.)

Crochet Bedspreads

ALL-WHITE Crochet Bedspreads, in Marseilles designs. Size 75x78 inches.

Crex Grass Rugs

GENUINE Crex Grass Rugs, in only two colors, but both are desirable. Size 3x6 ft.

American Flags, Ea.

GOOD quality

TOLL SUBMARINES TAKE OF ALLIED SHIPS DECREASES

French Minister of Marine Says Germans Misrepresent Amount of Tonnage They Are Sinking.

GIVES COMPARATIVE TABLE OF LOSSES

Dropped Below 400,000 in November and Has Not Reached That Figure in Any Month Since.

PARIS, May 13 (By A. P.).—The effectiveness of the German submarine campaign is declining. The German Government is aware of this fact, declared Georges Leygues, Minister of Marine, before the Naval Committee of the Chamber of Deputies Saturday, but has made the greatest efforts to conceal it. He said the situation was most favorable and that the sinkings of submarines in the first three months of 1918 through allied measures was greater than the number built by the enemy. Minister Leygues referred to the statement made in the Reichstag April 17 by Vice Admiral von Capelle, German Minister of Marine, in which he said 600,000 tons of allied shipping were sunk monthly. This figure, the Minister said, was incorrect.

Gives Table of Losses. It was reached and passed in April, May and June of 1917. In July it declined and in November it fell below 400,000, and since has diminished continuously. The Minister gave the following comparative table of the tonnage claimed to have been destroyed by Germany and the tonnage actually lost in the last five months:

Month	Claimed by Germany	Actual Losses
December	702,000 tons	386,277 tons
January	622,000 tons	302,459 tons
February	639,000 tons	322,522 tons
March	650,000 tons	353,660 tons
April	600,000 tons	268,704 tons

M. Leygues said that in February, March and April 373 French steamers and 788 French sailing vessels passed through the danger zone where a few months ago losses by torpedoing had been very heavy. Not a single ship was sunk.

On the other hand, he said, the number of submarines destroyed had increased progressively since January in such proportion "as the effectiveness of the enemy squadron cannot be maintained at the minimum required by the regulations. The number of enemy U-boats destroyed in January, February and March was far greater in each month than the number constructed in the same month. In February and April the number of submarines destroyed was three less than the

A Cartoon From the American Trenches

Drawn by Capt. Bruce Bairnsfather of the British Army Who Visited the American Trenches in France to Study Yankee Soldier Types.



One of those dreary days when about all you have to do is to wonder what is going on back in dear old St. Louis.

total destroyed in the previous three months.

How Results Are Obtained.

These results, the Minister declared, were due to the methodical character of the war against submarines; to the close co-ordination of the allied navies; to the intrepidity and spirit animating the officers and crews of naval and aerial squadrons and to the intensification of the use of old methods and the employment of new ones.

"The situation is most favorable."

the Minister continued, "but it does not thereby authorize the slackening of effort. Rather, it is necessary to redouble it, as the enemy has put new submarines into service and is trying a fresh offensive in which he plays for his last stake."

"The sea front has no communique. The country does not know the terrible life there when great events occur. Yet it is there that is being played one of the parts which has the greatest influence on the duration and issue of the war. The

country knows that mastery of the sea is the certain gauge of victory. It should know also that the mastery belongs to the allies, who have won it and who keep it, thanks to the heroism of the sailors, who are worthy of their soldier brothers."

The Minister then gave details of the successful British operations against the German submarine bases at Zebrugg and Ostend.

U-BOAT GAINING IN ITS OFFENSIVE, SAYS VON CAPELLE

Declares Increase Is Exceeding Losses; Reichstag Said to Support Sea Policy.

AMSTERDAM, May 13 (By A. P.).—In a debate in the Reichstag Saturday on the second reading of the naval estimates, as reported in a Berlin dispatch, Herr Pfleger, Centrist, said, on behalf of the Main Committee, that, even though there were differences of opinion regarding the political significance of the submarine war, the entire Reichstag was at one as concerned its military achievements. All held the view that the U-boat campaign should not be given up or restricted in any way.

Vice Admiral von Capelle, Minister of Navy, stated that unrestricted naval warfare meant a very strong naval offensive against the Entente. "The reports for April are favorable," he added. "Naturally, losses occur, but the main thing is that increase in submarine exceeds the losses. Our naval offensive is stronger today than at the beginning of unrestricted submarine warfare. That gives us an assured prospect of final success."

"The submarine war is developing more and more into a struggle between U-boat action and new construction of ships. Thus far, the monthly figures of destruction have continued to be several times as large as those of new construction."

"America thus far has built little, and has fallen far below expectations. Even if an increase is to be reckoned with in the future, it will be used up completely by America herself."

FARMER IS KILLED BY TRAIN

William Stoekey Was Starting From Hillsboro, Ill., to Belleville.

William Stoekey, 67 years old, a farmer, residing near Hillsboro, Ill., was instantly killed Saturday afternoon by a train, which he attempted to board at Hillsboro to take him to Belleville, where he intended celebrating his birthday with relatives yesterday.

His brother and sister, Mary and Julius Stoekey, who live near Belleville, were informed of his death while waiting for the train on which he had expected to come. His body arrived in Belleville yesterday and the funeral will be held this afternoon with burial in Green Mount Cemetery, Belleville.

WAR BOARD TO CONTROL EXPORT MANUFACTURES

Permits Must Be Obtained After May 15 to Make Articles for Foreign Trade.

WASHINGTON, May 13 (By A. P.).—Control of the manufacture of articles intended for export to the European allies has been instituted by the War Trade Board in agreement with the allied missions, the War Industries Board and the Food Administration.

New regulations becoming effective May 15 require that permission of the allied representatives and of the controlling agency of this Government must be obtained before manufacture of such commodities can begin or materials be purchased.

Most Radical Step Yet. Regulations constitute perhaps the most radical step yet taken, as the trade board explains, "for the purpose of preventing the useless consumption of materials and labor in making articles for export, which for the present may not be exported, and for the purpose of saving tonnage by prohibiting the exportation of articles which have not been recommended by the Government of the country of destination as being necessary for their essential requirements."

All exports to the United Kingdom, France, Italy and Belgium, excluding their respective colonies, possessions and protectorates, come under the regulations. Written approval of the mission in the United States of the country to which exportation is to be made must accompany all applications to the War Trade Board for export licenses.

Agreements That Are Required. On filing a license, the applicant must agree with the War Trade Board not to purchase or acquire for export nor to take any steps in the process of producing, manufacturing or fitting for export, the articles specified in the application, until a license actually has been granted.

All licenses granted on or before May 14 will be revoked July 1 and new licenses must be obtained for any goods not then exported against the old licenses.

VINOL MADE THIS RUN-DOWN WOMAN STRONG

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WOUNDED MAN FOUND ON BRIDGE

Identified by Detectives as One Who Flew When Questioned.

Two detectives stopped two men at Tenth and Market streets at 12:30 o'clock this morning on suspicion that they might have been implicated in recent robberies. One of the men, who had a revolver inside his vest, ran. As he fled, he threw his revolver and fired. The detectives reported, as they turned the fire. At Tenth and Walnut streets he disappeared.

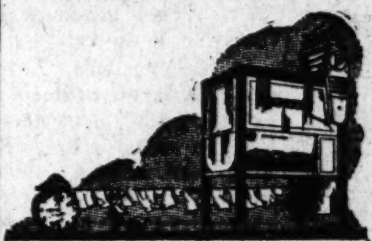
About 15 minutes later a policeman found a wounded man on the free bridge. He had a bullet hole in his right foot. He was taken to the city hospital, where he was identified by the two detectives as the man they had fired at. The prisoner said he was William Smith, 29 years old, of San Francisco. He would give no further information about himself. When asked what had become of his revolver, he replied that he had lost it.

Watches and Diamonds, 305 N. 1st St., St. Louis, Mo. 305 N. 1st St.—Adv.

150 MEN ARRESTED IN LID RAIDS

German Waiters' Club Among Places Entered by Police.

More than 150 men were arrested yesterday in lid raids. They were taken at the German Waiters' Club, 124 South Broadway; Newsboys' Club, 116 North Sixth street; Theatrical Mechanics' Association, 16 South Sixth street; Tip Society, 1335 Geyer avenue; No Name Club, 1313



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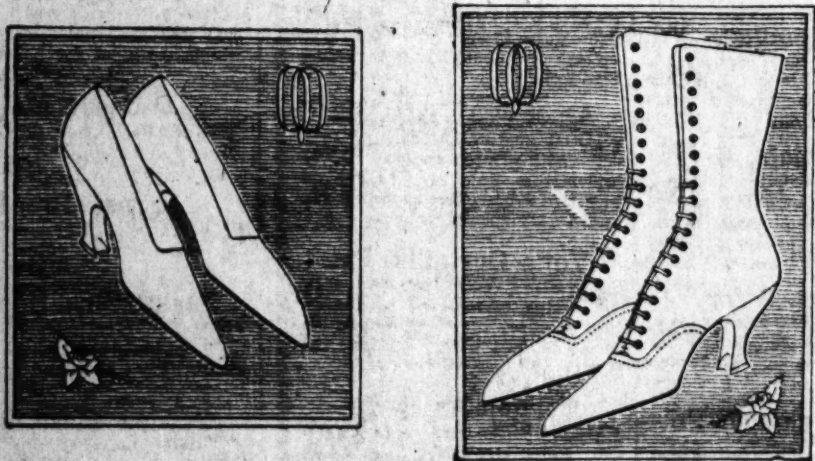
Of course, we have all kinds of Summer Floorcoverings, Curtains, Chintzes and Cretonnes and artistic Decorators to prescribe their use.

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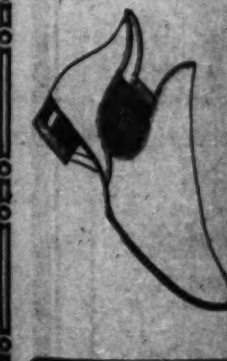
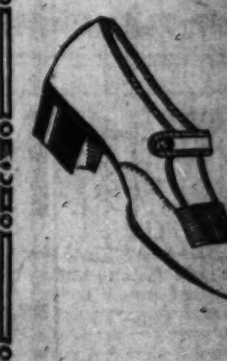
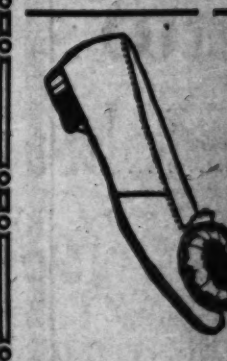
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DILLON BLAMES SINN-FEIN
BOAST FOR CONSCRIPTION

DUBLIN, May 13 (By A. P.).—Speaking at Cootagill yesterday in support of the Nationalist candidate for Parliament for Cavan, John Dillon said that what brought conscription to Ireland was the marching and drilling in Clare in last January and February, when Prof. Edward de Valera, the Sinn Fein member for East Clare, boasted that he could call on a half-million well-drilled Irishmen.

The London newspapers then began to agitate that these men ought to be in the trenches, said Mr. Dillon, whereupon the military were brought to Clare and said they could

TRADE BOARD FOR CHRISTIANIA

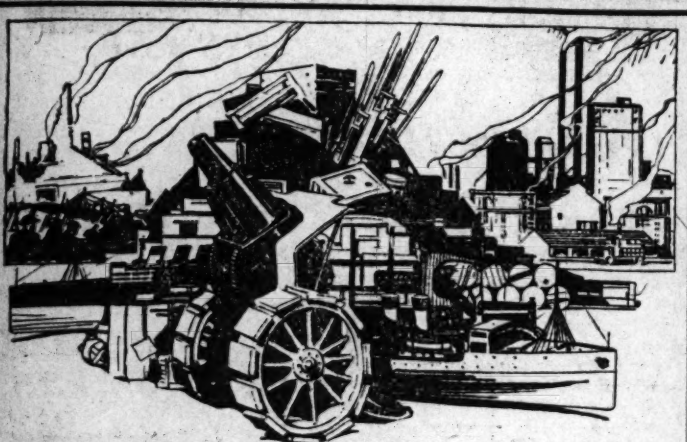
LONDON, May 13 (By A. P.).—Referring to the trade agreement between Norway and the United States, the Morgen Blader of Christiania, Norway, according to a dispatch to the Times from the Norwegian capital, says the allies intend to establish in Christiania a sort of a branch of the war trade board to facilitate commercial transactions.

The staff, it adds, will be installed in the American legation where representatives of British, French and Italian commercial interests will meet and confer.

Farmer's Body Found in River. WARRENSBURG, Mo., May 13 (Special).—Peter Theiss, a wealthy farmer, was found drowned in an abandoned quarry near his home three miles north of this city, yesterday afternoon. Theiss, since the beginning of the war, has been outspoken in his defense of Germany. Last week, it is said, a Department of Justice agent interviewed Theiss.

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LOSS OF FAITH IN
"KAISER'S BATTLE"

Sickness Increasing With
Shortage of Doctors; 23
Per Cent of People Have
"Barber's Itch."

BY CYRIL BROWN.
A Staff Correspondent of the Post-Dispatch and New York World.
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THE HAGUE, May 13.—Germany is hastening toward a new war crisis, its gravest. In it stomachic, political, military and moral phases are all intimately connected. The morale of the German people, yearning for peace under increasing food pressure, as never before, is being subjected to a tremendous strain, brought almost to the breaking point by the long intermission before the promised happy last act of the Ludendorff offensive.

Inspired German military critics industriously continue to try to divert public opinion into a semblance of optimism and enthusiasm for the resumption of the "Kaiser's battle." To revive the faith of the doubting and discouraged masses, the critics reiterate the explanation that a long pause is inevitable in order to prepare for a general super-offensive. Gen. Baron von Asdenne in the Tageblatt tells the doubters that the long intermission also has been dictated by the course of events, including the possibility of bringing reinforcements to the West front from Rumania following the signing of the peace treaty and the plan for the immediate commencement of an Austrian offensive against Italy.

Although there is every indication that, behind the fog of talk, the German highest leadership is preparing an unprecedented blow, the German people are too much absorbed again by the food troubles to listen to the military prophets. Germany has again entered upon the worst period of the food year. Whereas conditions were better during the past winter than in the previous one, they have grown rapidly worse until there is no appreciable difference between the hunger of the spring of 1917 and that of 1918.

In addition to the spectre of a possible reduction of the bread ration, Germans are face to face with the real fact of a material reduction in the slender meat ration. While theoretically unchanged, 20 per cent of the imperial meat ration must be taken in sausage. In addition, several of the Federal states have, on their own initiative, enforced measures which practically reduce the ration. In order to limit the slaughtering of cattle that are emaciated to the bone after an almost featureless winter.

It is significant that a rumor is current among the German masses of an impending wholesale slaughter of horses; further, that the public has been surprised by a sudden, unexpected distribution of sauerkraut taken from the army's reserves.

Germany's food reserves for the civilian population must be regarded as very near the exhaustion point, with no relief in sight until the summer fruit and vegetables come and no real improvement possible until the next harvest.

Increasing Sickness. Significant, too, is the fact that, with increasing sickness among the population, Germany is suffering from a shortage of doctors. More than two-thirds of Germany's doctors are in the army, and, according to a statement made in the Reichstag by Mueller-Meningen, the shortage of doctors is increasing from month to month and is being particularly felt in the heretofore healthy country districts. Bad health conditions are widespread. There is an epidemic of barber's itch both in the army and in the civil population.

According to Prof. Buschke, who has been entrusted by the Prussian war ministry with the task of combating the alarming epidemic, it is the "widest spread on record, sparing not even the women and children."

More than 23 per cent of the German people are suffering from barber's itch. The epidemic, according to Buschke, is due to "general unfavorable hygienic conditions."

Another troublesome element is the certainty of democracy in the Prussian electoral reform issue in the Diet. If the present Government meant to keep faith with the people, it cannot resort to means of immediately dissolving the reactionary Prussian Diet because, under the Constitution, a new election must be held within six weeks, and the man power shortage is such that it is a physical impossibility to prepare lists of electors within that time. Hence, no other policy is open to the Government but procrastination.

The Catholic Germania says: "Much as one regrets this unrest in our inner political life in the midst of decisive military fighting, there is no other way out. Better a new election than that the thought should take fixed root among the broad masses of the people that the Government is not serious about electoral reforms and that the people are being defrauded of their rights despite the royal promise."

"Not only among Social Democrats but in the widest circles of the nation," says Vorwaerts, "the feeling prevails that the Government is not serious about electoral reforms and that the people are being defrauded of their rights despite the royal promise."

"In the Reichstag one again talks of a crisis in the air," says the Tageblatt.

OLD CLOTHING IS COLLECTED
Garments Will Be Donated to Belgian Relief by Ad Club.

Members of the Advertising Club, working in the rain, yesterday visited many St. Louis homes and collected clothing for the Belgians. A large number of garments were donated in each district the clothing collected was taken to the nearest fire department engine house, to be delivered later to the Belgian Clothing Relief Depot, Advertising Building, Seventeenth and Locust streets.

Many homes which had red ribbons in the window were not visited, because of the bad weather. Those who were not called upon by the collectors are asked to take care of clothing to the nearest engine house, Kroger store or Pauley drug store today. The garments will be collected at these places by trucks.

SECRET TREATY AS TO POLAND
Lausanne Paper Says Nation Is Handed Over to Germany by Russia.

GENEVA, May 13 (By A. P.).—Poland is handed over to Germany economically, politically and militarily, according to the terms of a secret treaty reached at Brest-Litovsk between a delegation of the Russian Government headed by Leon Trotsky and German representatives, according to the Gazette of Lausanne. The newspaper guarantees the authenticity of the treaty, which consists of seven clauses, and which it prints.

By the fifth clause, for example, Russia is bound to support at a peace conference the contention that the Polish question concerns Germany alone and is not an international one.

15,000 at Camp Dix Mass. CAMP DIX, Wrightstown, N. J., May 13 (By A. P.).—The Right Rev. P. J. Hayes officiated here yesterday at his first field mass since he was appointed by the Pope as Bishop of the United States armies in the field. More than 15,000 soldiers and civilians attended the service.

Argentina Recognizes Finland. BUENOS AIRES, May 13 (By A. P.).—Argentina has recognized the republic of Finland. President Iriyoven soon will begin negotiations for the purchase of three more German vessels in port here.

ANTI-DRY CAMPAIGN PLANNED

The St. Louis Liquor Dealers' Benevolent Association met yesterday afternoon in Albrecht's Hall, Broadway and Elm street, and considered plans for the anti-prohibition campaign. It was announced that this campaign would be publicly

launched at a picnic Aug. 25. A circular will be issued by the organization, discussing the prohibition question in Missouri from the standpoint of revenue, and asking what industrial provision will be made for the thousands of persons whom prohibition would throw out of employment.

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32-in. Half Silk Shirting; white grounds with colored stripes.
Blue Bird No. 43,524—Tuesday Only.
3.50 Serge, \$2.65
54-in. wool double warp cream French Serge; medium weight.
Blue Bird No. 43,525—Tuesday Only.
3.50 Khaki Kool, \$2.40
36-in. Khaki Kool Silk; Summer shades of blue, tan, rose, natural.
Blue Bird No. 43,526—Tuesday Only.
2.00 Chiffon Taffeta, \$1.55
Yard-wide beautiful stripe and plaid Taffeta; all colors.
Blue Bird No. 43,527—Tuesday Only.
1.69 Tub Silks, \$1.20
32-in. wide, white grounds with colored satin stripes.
Blue Bird No. 43,528—Tuesday Only.
5.00 Irons, \$3.60
Universal Electric Irons; 6-lb. size; guaranteed; cord and plug.
Blue Bird No. 43,529—Tuesday Only.
22.50 Dinner Sets, \$16.90
100-pc. Bluebird Set, with gold lines, with bread and butter plates.
Blue Bird No. 43,530—Tuesday Only.
17.50 Lamps, \$13.80
Electric Floor Lamps; Japanese finished base; large shade.
Blue Bird No. 43,531—Tuesday Only.
1.95 Cookers, \$1.40
Combination Cooker and Steamer; kettle holds 6 qts; with steamer and extra pan.
Blue Bird No. 43,532—Tuesday Only.
4.95 Hose, \$3.80
Guaranteed Sprinkling Hose; 4-ply; 50 ft. with couplings.
Blue Bird No. 43,533—Tuesday Only.
39c Towels, 30c
21x43-in. Bath Towels, made of fine bleached Terry cloth.
Blue Bird No. 43,534—Tuesday Only.
7.50 Cloths, \$5.20
68x96-in. Humidor Linen Pattern Cloths.
Blue Bird No. 43,535—Tuesday Only.
75c Voile, 60c
40-in. Plain White Voiles, for waists and dresses.
Blue Bird No. 43,536—Tuesday Only.
3.00 Longcloth, \$2.30
36-in. Longcloth; 10 yards in bolt.
Blue Bird No. 43,537—Tuesday Only.
1.10 Scissors, 80c
Steel Manicure Scissors; perfect points; forged steel.
Blue Bird No. 43,538—Tuesday Only.
2.00 Perfume, Oz., \$1.60
Houbigant's Coeur de Jeannette Perfume—made in Paris.
Blue Bird No. 43,539—Tuesday Only.
4.00 Bags, \$2.90
Women's Hand Bags of pin seal, walrus, goat skin, or envelope style.

Blue Bird No. 43,540—Tuesday Only.
\$30.00 Bicycles, \$26.80
Men's and Boys' Bicycles; conster brake; mud guards.
Blue Bird No. 43,541—Tuesday Only.
10.50 Bags, \$7.90
Brown and Black Leather Traveling Bags; neatly lined.
Blue Bird No. 43,542—Tuesday Only.
30c Stationery, 22c
Distinctive Linen; 1-quire box; colored or gold edges; white or tints.
Blue Bird No. 43,543—Tuesday Only.
1.75 Georgette, \$1.30
Crisp finish Georgette Crepe, in a splendid assortment of colors.
Blue Bird No. 43,544—Tuesday Only.
1.00 Gloves, 80c
Women's 2-Clasp Milners Silk Gloves; white, black and colors.
Blue Bird No. 43,545—Tuesday Only.
50c Hose, 40c
Women's Silk Lisle Hose; seamless; black or white.
Blue Bird No. 43,546—Tuesday Only.
2.50 Silk Hose, \$1.65
Women's Silk Hose; full fashioned, colors.
Blue Bird No. 43,547—Tuesday Only.
1.50 Union Suits, \$1.15
Men's; short sleeve, ankle length; knit or muslin; sizes 34 to 46.
Blue Bird No. 43,548—Tuesday Only.
1.75 Union Suits, \$1.30
Women's fine ribbed cotton; Spring weight, low neck, sleeveless, knee length; extra sizes.
Blue Bird No. 43,549—Tuesday Only.
75c Vests, 60c
Women's Swiss Ribbed Mercerized Vests; white or pink; extra sizes.
Blue Bird No. 43,550—Tuesday Only.
19.75 Dresses, \$14.90
Women's silk gingham, Summer silk, taffeta and foulard Dresses; plain colors, stripes and plaids.
Blue Bird No. 43,551—Tuesday Only.
35.00 Suits, \$26.80
Women's Point twills, serge and gabardine; black, navy, checks, sand, gray.
Blue Bird No. 43,552—Tuesday Only.
4.50 Skirts, \$3.60
Women's White Wash Skirts, gabardine and honeycomb; several models.
Blue Bird No. 43,553—Tuesday Only.
2.95 Blouses, \$2.40
Lingerie Blouses; organdy, voile and batiste; lace trimmed.
Blue Bird No. 43,554—Tuesday Only.
12.50 Sweaters, \$9.00
Women's Fiber Silk and Wool Sweaters; pretty shades; all sizes.
Blue Bird No. 43,555—Tuesday Only.
6.00 Blouses, \$4.20
Women's Crepe de Chine and Washable Satin Blouses; white and flesh.
Blue Bird No. 43,556—Tuesday Only.
19.75 Coats, \$14.80
Misses' Coats of wool velour, serge, poplin and checks; 14 to 18.

Blue Bird No. 43,557—Tuesday Only.
\$12.75 Dresses, \$9.50
Misses' Washable Gingham Dresses in pretty plaids and combinations.
Blue Bird No. 43,558—Tuesday Only.
\$6.00 Spreads, \$4.80
Marseilles Spreads, scalloped, cut corners; \$1.88 in.
Blue Bird No. 43,559—Tuesday Only.
3.50 Pillows, \$2.90
Large size 20x28-in. Pillows; art ticking; per pair.
Blue Bird No. 43,560—Tuesday Only.
\$9.00 Couches, \$6.80
Sanitary Couches; non-tip; full size; drop sides.
Blue Bird No. 43,561—Tuesday Only.
\$10.00 Hats, \$6.50
Women's Trimmed Hats; leghorns, white and black; flower or feather trimmings.
Blue Bird No. 43,562—Tuesday Only.
\$12.75 Scarfs, \$9.90
Marabout Scarfs, long fluffy flues—cape effect.
Blue Bird No. 43,563—Tuesday Only.
39c Ribbon, 30c
Good quality Moire Ribbon; wide range of colors.
Blue Bird No. 43,564—Tuesday Only.
25c Handkerchiefs, 20c
Women's Embroidered Handkerchiefs; Irish linen; dainty patterns.
Blue Bird No. 43,565—Tuesday Only.
\$1.00 Gown, 75c
Stamped Gown; assorted new designs on high-grade nainsook.
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\$39.75 Rug, \$34.60
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\$1.10 Linoleum, 90c Sq. Yd.
2-yd.-wide genuine Cork Linoleum; heavy grade; large range patterns.
Blue Bird No. 43,568—Tuesday Only.
\$22.50 Rug, \$17.90
Sanford & Son's Seamless Wilton Velvet Rugs; 6x9-ft.; attractive patterns.
Blue Bird No. 43,569—Tuesday Only.
\$37.50 Rug, \$31.90
Alexander Smith's large size seamless medium quality Tapestry Brussels Rugs; 11x12-ft.
Blue Bird No. 43,570—Tuesday Only.
36c Marguerites, 25c
40-in. Mercerized Curtain Marguerites; cream, white or Arabian.
Blue Bird No. 43,571—Tuesday Only.
\$2.50 Curtains, \$1.90
Flirt Net Curtains; wonderful range patterns; cream or Arabian.
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\$1.50 Dresses, \$1.10
Children's Gingham Dresses; Empire models; sizes 6 to 14.

Blue Bird No. 43,573—Tuesday Only.
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La Vida Corsets; low bust; white coutil; all sizes.
Blue Bird No. 43,574—Tuesday Only.
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Philippine Hand-embroidered Gowns; slipover or button front.
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\$2.00 Chemise, \$1.60
Envelope Chemise of nainsook; elaborately trimmed with lace and medallion.
Blue Bird No. 43,576—Tuesday Only.
\$10.00 Kimonos, \$6.80
Japanese Habutai Silk Kimonos; light and dark shades; hand em'd.
Blue Bird No. 43,577—Tuesday Only.
65c Wash Ties, 45c
Men's Crepe de chine Wash Ties; four-in-hand styles.
Blue Bird No. 43,578—Tuesday Only.
\$2.00 Shirts, \$1.40
Men's; soft or laundered cuffs; fancy stripe woven madras.
Blue Bird No. 43,579—Tuesday Only.
\$4.95 Shirts, \$3.80
Men's Tub Silk Shirts; fancy and satin stripes; sizes 14 to 17.
Blue Bird No. 43,580—Tuesday Only.
\$30.00 Suits, \$23.90
Men's and young men's correct models. All sizes.
Blue Bird No. 43,581—Tuesday Only.
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Blue Bird No. 43,582—Tuesday Only.
\$3.50 Slippers, \$2.80
Misses' Mary Jane Patent Slippers; 11½ to 2.
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\$7.50 Oxford, \$6.50
Men's tan and black Oxford Ties; Summer weight.
Blue Bird No. 43,584—Tuesday Only.
\$50.00 Suits, \$32.90
Women's taffeta, charmeuse, French faille and Poiret twills; sizes 16 to 42.
Blue Bird No. 43,585—Tuesday Only.
\$3.00 Hats, \$2.30
Men's Soft or Stiff Hats; brown, pearl, green, navy and black.
Blue Bird No. 43,586—Tuesday Only.
\$1.50 Wash Suits, 90c
Boys' Cadet and Knickerbo make; fast colors; 2½ to 8 years.
Blue Bird No. 43,587—Tuesday Only.
\$1.50 Dresses, \$1.20
Girls' Gingham School Dresses; plaids and stripes; 6 to 14 years.
Blue Bird No. 43,588—Tuesday Only.
\$12.75 Dresses, \$8.80
Girls' White Dresses, of organdy, voile and net; latest models; 8 to 14.
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CAL. HAMS Smoked; sugar cured; pound. 26c
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MASON JARS Pint, doz. 76c
KITCHEN KLENER 2 CANS 9c
Snow Boy Washing 3 pkgs. 17c
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15,000 at Camp Dix Mass. CAMP DIX, Wrightstown, N. J., May 13 (By A. P.).—The Right Rev. P. J. Hayes officiated here yesterday at his first field mass since he was appointed by the Pope as Bishop of the United States armies in the field. More than 15,000 soldiers and civilians attended the service.

Argentina Recognizes Finland. BUENOS AIRES, May 13 (By A. P.).—Argentina has recognized the republic of Finland. President Iriyoven soon will begin negotiations for the purchase of three more German vessels in port here.

Secret Treaty as to Poland. Lausanne Paper Says Nation Is Handed Over to Germany by Russia.

Loss of Faith in "Kaiser's Battle." Correspondent Says Empire Is Hastening Towards Crisis—Stomachic, Political, Military.

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PRESIDENT APPROVES WORK

Sends Letter to Women's Committee of Defense Council.

WASHINGTON, May 13 (By A. P.).—Formal approval and support of the work undertaken by the women's committee of the Council of National Defense is given by President Wilson in a letter made public on the eve of the May conference of the committee which will continue through Wednesday.

In his letter, addressed to Dr. Anna Howard Shaw, the committee chairman, the President said, "Already what the Government has been able to accomplish has been most encouraging and has exceeded the first expectations of those who were instrumental in constituting it."

DISLOYAL EVIDENCE WANTED

Volunteers Asked to Co-operate With District Attorneys.

WASHINGTON, May 13 (By A. P.).—Every citizen may act as a volunteer detective to assist Government officers in ferreting out persons suspected of disloyal actions or utterances, says a statement issued by Attorney-General Gregory.

United States attorneys have been told to co-operate with newspapers in their districts so that public notice can be given of the nearest offices of attorneys of the bureau of investigation to which citizens may refer information that they think will be valuable in running down suspicious persons.

FIXTURES ORDERED OUT OF VACANT SALOONS

After July 1 Excise Commissioner Will Refuse Licenses to Re-open.

Between 200 and 300 vacant saloon buildings will be dismantled and the fixtures removed under an order issued by Excise Commissioner Lewis to the eight brewing associations of the city.

Beginning July 1, it will be the policy of the excise office, according to the notice sent to the breweries, to refuse licenses for premises formerly used for saloon purposes but which have been unoccupied for three months preceding the application. It will also be the policy to refuse a license for a new stand unless the brewery controlling it or intending to supply it will either close a going saloon or withdraw permanently from dramshop purposes to a stand which has been closed for not more than 60 days.

The Commissioner also suggests that no petition for a new saloon location or for reopening an unoccupied location be circulated until a conference regarding it has been held with his office.

He requests that the breweries, on June 1, discontinue the practice of loaning money to saloon keepers to be used in cashing the pay checks of employees of large corporations. He makes the request for premises he believes the numerous holdups in saloons are due to the practice of the saloon men having large sums of money on hand for this purpose.

Commissioner Lewis said today that the brewery associations had received the order and request in good spirit, and had made known to him their disposition to comply with both fully. He said the object of the order concerning the vacant saloons was to put an end to efforts of opposing breweries to reopen them, and to make them available for use for other lines of business.

Dynamite, drills and other machinery offers appear from day to day in the Post-Dispatch Want Pages.

City Items in Brief

The police were asked to look for Miss Iva Drake, 25 years old, who yesterday wandered away from the Oakdale Park Hospital, a sanitarium at Glendale, St. Louis County. She is the daughter of M. B. Drake of Canton, Ill.

A meeting of 114 County War Savings Committees will be held at Hotel Jefferson tomorrow to formulate plans for a campaign to raise Missouri's quota of \$71,000,000 in Thrift Stamps. Festus J. Wade, director of the State campaign, will preside.

William Hunt, 26 years old, of 1905 North Ninth street, was jolted from a lumber wagon he was driving across railroad tracks at First and North Market streets yesterday afternoon. Two wheels of the wagon passed over his body and crushed several of his ribs.

Former Gov. Folk was the principal speaker yesterday afternoon at a mass meeting of Gideons at the Coliseum. He termed President Wilson "the Gideon of the world today." W. Eichman, for the Missouri Pacific, introduced Folk as "the next Senator from Missouri." A collection was taken for the fund used by the Gideons in placing Bibles in hotel rooms.

A burglar was caught crawling through the transom into the office of Dr. L. C. Herchenroeder, on the second floor at the northwest corner of Grand and Lafayette avenues, yesterday afternoon by Charles Juengel, a druggist. He was pulled from the transom, but after a scuffle with Juengel jerked away and ran. He was chased by several men, but escaped by running through a yard at 3524 Henrietta street. A loaded revolver later was found in the yard.

Thompson Cunningham, 43 years old, of 3733 Maffitt avenue, a crossing watchman for the Missouri Pacific at Wilson avenue and the Oak Hill tracks, was by a substandard passenger train at the crossing at 6 o'clock last night. His collarbone was fractured and his left shoulder dislocated.

Three men last night held up the poolroom of Mike Alivindian, 2722 North Ninth street, and took \$100 from the proprietor, \$3 from Earl Leonard of 909 St. Louis avenue, and \$1 from Fred Cramer, 3007 North Eleventh street.

Mother's day was generally observed in St. Louis yesterday. Special services were held in practically all of the churches in honor of mothers. Special arrangements were made for taking invalid mothers to church in automobiles.

The Rev. Dr. G. A. Hulbert, pastor of the Central Congregational Church in Omaha, Neb., yesterday accepted a call to the pastorate of the King's Highway Presbyterian Church, King's highway and Cabanne avenue. He succeeds the Rev. Dr. Arthur Lee Odell, who resigned April 1.

A recital by the pupils of Miss Adelme Rott's dancing classes was held Saturday night at the Victoria Theater. The program was carried out as a play, "A Dream of the Golden Age," which was written by Miss Rott. She gave several interpretations of the Chalf dances. Others on the program were Natalia Gabel, Nettie Davis, Arleen Wiedmann, Thelma Whizg, Dorothy Lewis and Loretta Wayne.

Five automobiles reported stolen yesterday afternoon and evening belonged to Stuart Stickney, 20 North King's highway; Mrs. Harry Geer, 558 McLaran avenue; Albert Dume, 1723A Franklin avenue; Dr. T. B. Edwards, 2297A South King's highway, and Eugene A. Fusz, 4446 Laclede avenue.

An inquest into the death last Saturday of Paul Olsen, 35 years old, of 4018 North Grand avenue, was ordered by the Coroner. Olsen became ill Saturday at the factory of the Brown Shoe Co., Seventeenth street and Lucas avenue, where he was employed, after eating lunch. A physician said that he was suffering from gastritis. His condition seemed to improve, but Saturday night he was again stricken and died before medical attention could be obtained.

William Habershtick, 45 years old, of 14 South Seventh street, a steam driller, fell 30 feet from a ledge in a quarry at Blair and Persimmon avenues this morning, fracturing his skull. Employees said he stumbled over a pipe.

Dr. Daniel L. Poling, associate president of the United Society of Christian Endeavor, who recently returned from doing Y. M. C. A. work with the American troops in France, will address a mass meeting tomorrow night at the Union Avenue Christian Church, Union and Von Versen avenues, under the auspices of the Christian Endeavor Union.

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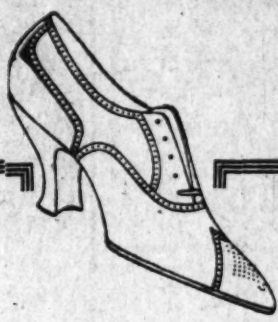
Border Cavalry Division Dissolved.

EL PASO, Tex., May 13 (By A. P.).—The cavalry division which was formed on the Mexican border last November, with headquarters here, has been dissolved. The reason given is that the border situation can be better cared for by smaller units.

Constantine Has Relapse.

PARIS, May 13 (By A. P.).—Former King Constantine of Greece, who is ill at Zurich and recently was reported to have passed the danger

point, now is said in a Zurich dispatch to the Petit Journal to be in a grave condition. He has had a relapse and has a high fever. All the members of the royal family have gathered about his bedside.



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Heavy Rains in Arkansas.
LITTLE ROCK, Ark., May 13 (By A. P.).—Heavy rains over the State during the last two days have caused big rises in the Arkansas, Black and White rivers. Heavy damage along the Black River in North Arkansas and South Missouri is reported. Railway connections with Poplar Bluff, Mo., are said to be practically cut off.

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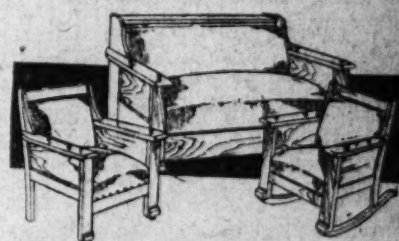
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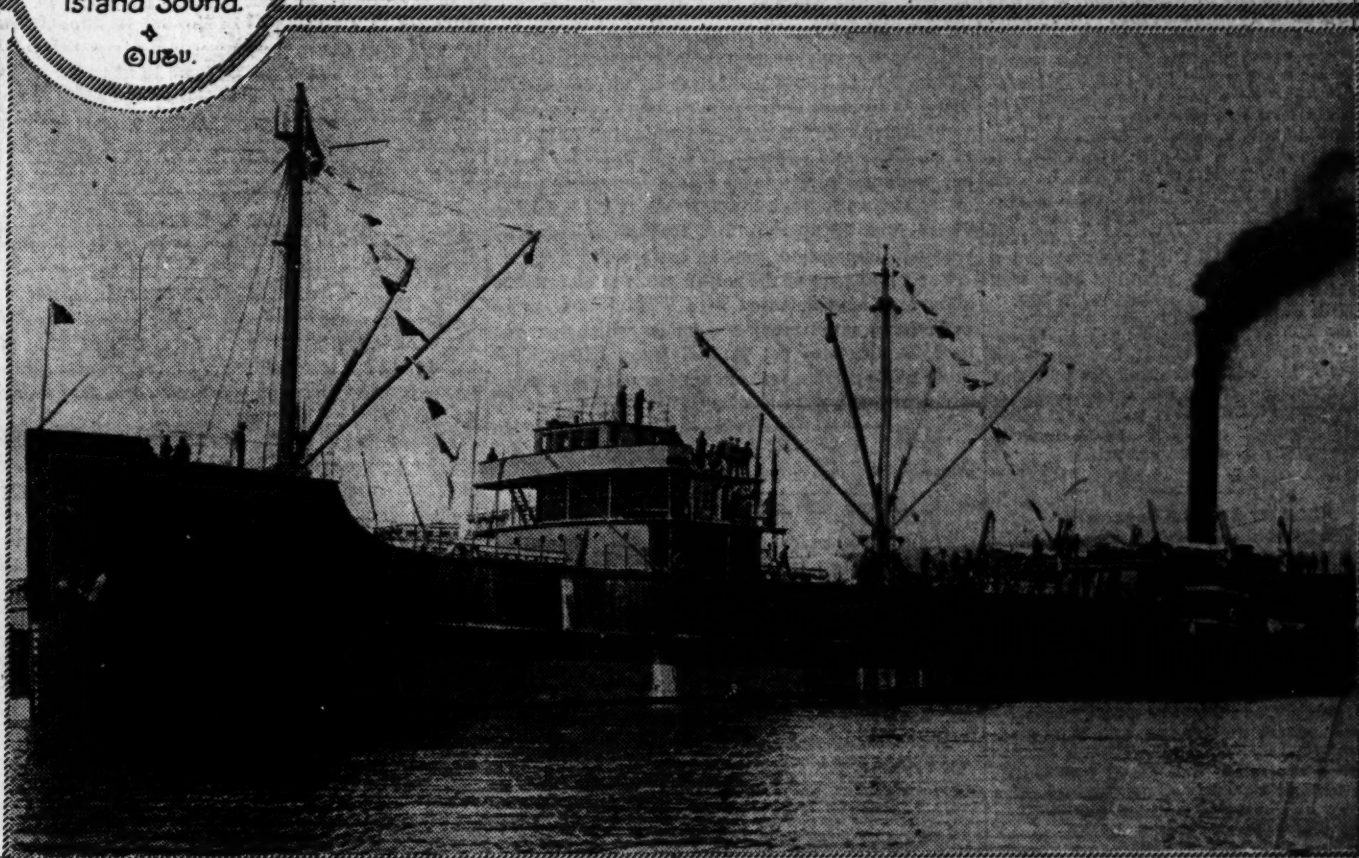
French refugees in flight during the last German drive. © U.S.



Moving a 22-room country home across Long Island Sound. © U.S.



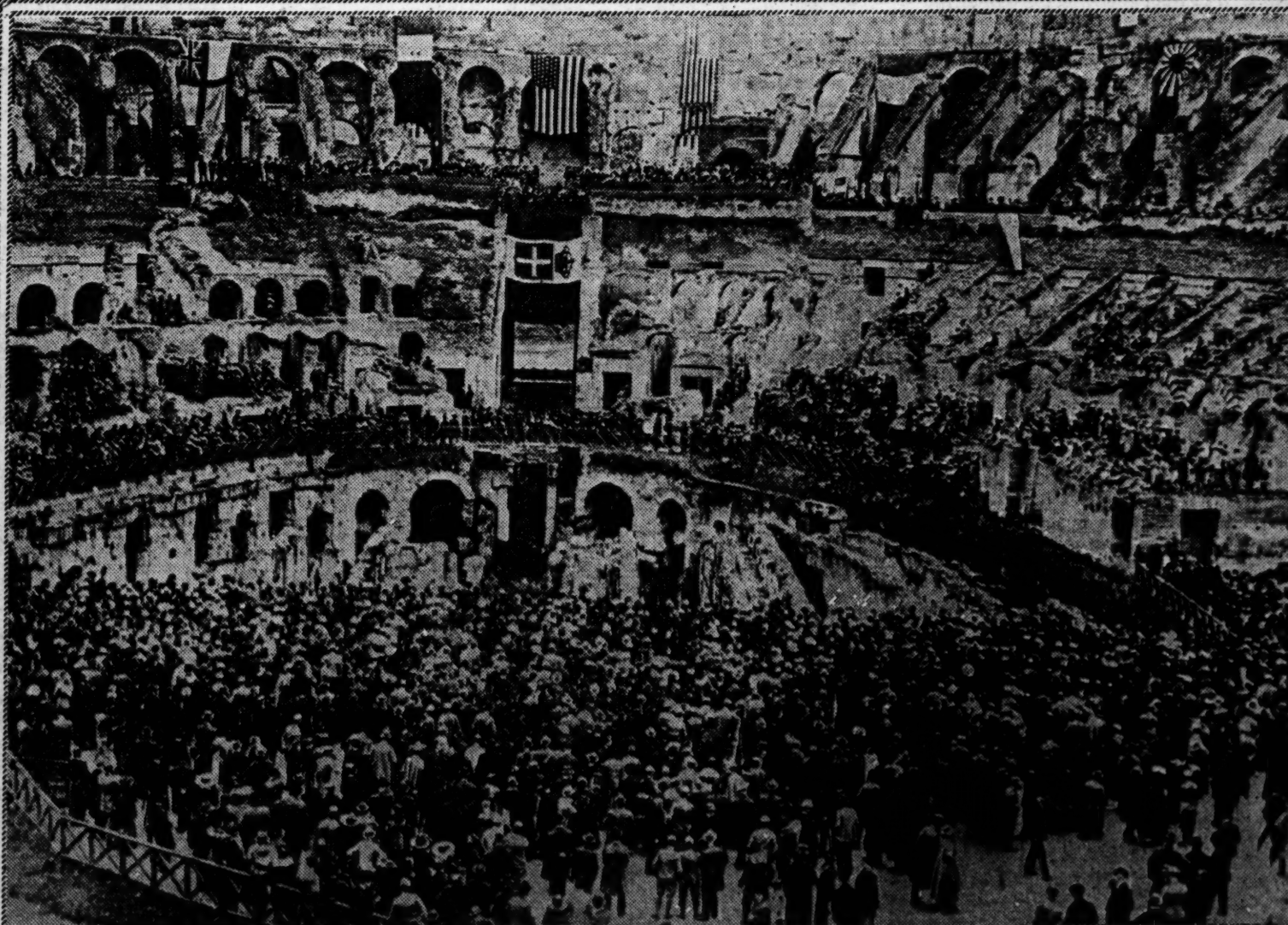
British troops by the truck-load going to the front in Flanders. © U.S.



Concrete ship, 'Faith,' on trial trip in San Francisco Bay. She developed a speed of 11 knots an hour.



Shortage of blue cloth has put telegraph messenger boys in St. Louis into near-military uniform, greener in color than olive drab, with leggings and cap resembling army headgear.



Italians, in great mass meeting at ruins of the old Roman Coliseum, celebrate America's entrance into war.



Lieut. Nungesser, famous French ace, who downed 33rd and 34th enemy planes in five minutes.

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JOSEPH PULITZER.

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LETTERS FROM THE PEOPLE

Slacker Husbands.

To the Editor of the Post-Dispatch.

A short time ago I was conversing with a friend who had previously addressed a crowd on conservation. I asked him how he had the "nerve" to speak of "crusts" and other table refuse as being waste, when he himself told me he went out as often as two or three times a week and treated his friends in saloons and spent as much as \$5 to \$7 at an outing. Now, what regard has he for woman? She may not waste one scrap of bread—he can waste than waste what would buy so much bread. Women won't save under these conditions, no matter how patriotic they are. It's all wrong; and again, a man will not allow his wife to buy a Liberty Bond, who is foolish; he wouldn't buy one, but he gets in a crowd in one of those sinful places and comes home saying, "Wife, I took out a \$100 Liberty Loan today, see to it that you get it paid. All the boys took out a \$50, and I thought it wouldn't look well if I did not come in." Then wife has to pay for it out of the housekeeping money, whether she can or not. It has to come. He denies himself nothing, but keeps on treating his good-for-nothing friends, but the wife gets no credit for patriotism. There are a lot of kinks to be untangled yet, and as soon as St. Louis is dry the biggest kink will be unraveled.

A SUFFERER.

New City Bureau Suggested.

To the Editor of the Post-Dispatch.

As one who is interested in the prosperity of St. Louis and the welfare and improvement of living conditions of our city, I would like to suggest that this city should have a department of tenements and rents, the duties of such bureau to be the adjustment of disputes between landlords and tenants and the amelioration of abuses suffered by renters who are forced to live in places that are neglected by their owners.

I am now living in a small flat which the agent of the agent of the landlord (whoever he might be, I have never been able to find out) absolutely refuses to repair. The sink leaks and is very unsanitary; the locks were off the doors and I had to buy new locks and put them on myself. The real agent came one day to collect his rent, although he usually leaves that duty to his agent. I spoke to him about needed and necessary repairs, but the sink leaking, there being no screens on windows or doors, etc.

He replied that "they never did such things for their tenants."

Now, if that agent and the landlord of this property isn't giving St. Louis a black eye, I would like to know.

Now, a new bureau known as the Commissioner of Tenements and Rents, to whom honest paying tenants and good landlords could appeal in times of trouble would serve a good purpose.

MRS. J. D. ROSE.

High Cost of Liberty Kake.

To the Editor of the Post-Dispatch.

In today's edition of a morning paper I see where there is a movement on foot to change the name of sauerkraut to "Liberty cabbage." The manufacturers and dealers claiming that the consumption of "kraut" has been reduced 75 per cent, supposedly due to the German connection with the name. No housekeeper in St. Louis can imagine this to be true. If we judge by the price exacted by the retailers of the city during the past year—a can that used to be retailed for 10 and 15 cents has been selling for 20 cents and 25 cents. This is but one item of food, but if there is profiteering in this—and it seems clear in this case—it seems to me to be a subject for someone in authority to look into.

HOUSEKEEPER.

From a Belgian Dugout.

To the Editor of the Post-Dispatch.

Having often perused your widely read newspaper and being very fond of the American ways, and the people who inhabit your great country, I am taking herewith the liberty of requesting you for a favor.

Would you not be so kind as to give me the address of some of your readers willing to correspond with a lonely Belgian soldier, who has been in the States and feels himself most forgotten amidst the turmoil of this bloody war?

I am 28 years of age and have enjoyed college education in Belgium.

Will anyone notice this hearty appeal?

Awaiting your good news and thanking you a thousand times in anticipation, I beg this sign, in the meantime, dear sir, with highest regards, yours respectfully,

M. LAPEAU.

Address: Mr. M. Lapeau, Z 706, 96 Batavia, Belgian Army, Belgium (front).

(Written my dugout).

INCREASED STREET CAR FARE.

The proof of the necessity which would justify an increase of a cent in street railway fares cannot be determined without a careful study of the analysis of the finances of the United Railways upon which the decision of the State Public Service Commission is based. City Counselor Daues in his analysis demonstrated that the increase with the relief extended to the company by the city is unnecessary.

Nothing but necessity would justify the increase, because it is in the nature of a public calamity. It puts a burden on the people, especially the wage earners, that is hard to bear. It handicaps the city. It will not help St. Louis to be known as the only large city in which the street car fare is six cents.

The increase is better than a strike or a collapse of service. That is the best that can be said for it. The avoidance of these greater disasters is the only justification for it.

The question of fighting the ruling in the courts hangs on the question of the necessity of the increase in order that fair wages may be paid the street railway employees and fair service may be maintained. Nothing should be done to interfere with these necessary ends and everything should be done to prevent further exploitation of the city by the water-logged company.

The increase in the fare will be a daily reminder to St. Louisans of the evils of the old system of corrupt dealing and financial jobbery which has brought upon them the curse of an overloaded, broken-down, bankrupt concern in possession of our transit facilities. It ought to spur them to the task of finding a satisfactory solution of the problem.

We are inclined to believe that the only satisfactory method of dealing with the accumulated mass of water and junk that handicaps St. Louis is public ownership. There are difficulties in the way of this solution. The city is hampered by a limitation of indebtedness which prevents using the city's credit for the purchase of street railways. Under the Constitution bonds beyond the debt limit can only be issued against the properties of street railways. The use of the city's credit would enable the city to acquire the street railway system with low rate bonds and then assure substantial economies and the application of all surplus earnings to service. Steps should be taken to free the city from this obstacle in order that we may be prepared to take over the street railway system at will.

There are compensations in the commission's ruling. It is clearly put out as an emergency measure to meet immediate apparent needs. The commission requires complete monthly statements of earnings and expenditures. It promises a reappraisal of the value of the company's properties and a thorough examination of its finances. There is a tentative effort to have all surplus earnings applied to service betterment.

The acceptance of the ruling as a war emergency should be supplemented with a determination to work for a satisfactory conclusion which will relieve St. Louis of the present street railway incubus and assure a maximum of service at a minimum of cost.

"Britannia rules the main," but not the River Des Peres.

RUMANIA'S QUEEN STILL AT WAR.

Berlin has made peace with the Rumanian King, with the Government and with the Rumanian people. But it has not been able to make peace with the Rumanian Queen.

She is reported to refuse all recognition to the shameful terms imposed, to denounce fearlessly Germany's treatment of her country and to show her displeasure toward Germans she encounters in decided, albeit, as we may assume, queenly ways. That the Germans would not hesitate to take measures of reprisal and coercion against her because she is a woman is, of course, certain. They have made war on tens of thousands of women in that and other countries and have driven women before them as a shield when advancing to attack. But what they might not hesitate to do because she is a woman, they may hesitate to do because she is a Queen. The Rumanian people, who felt their impotence in opposing a humiliating peace treaty, might resent furiously and effectively, an affront to the first lady of their land.

And the Queen's influence may be one of those imperious factors which the Germans despise, but which can avail mightily in keeping up the spirit of the Rumanians, counseling patience until the time comes, as it will come, for them to strike, and preparing them to give a good account of themselves at the first opportunity to rise for political and economic independence. If the Germans doubt it, they might read again what the Prussian Queen, Louise of Mecklenburg-Strelitz, did after Napoleon had imposed on Prussia a less shameful peace than Prussianism has imposed on Rumania.

NAPOLEON AND WILHELM.

Potsdam has sent a new demand to the Bolsheviks that they refrain from arming the Russians and abandon their efforts to create a new army. It limits the army of Rumania. The megomaniac Kaiser is thus trying to emulate in another respect the megomaniac Napoleon, although the Kaiser's own power today is proof that the policy is impossible.

It was Napoleon's idea to keep his own empire impregnable by making all the neighboring states militarily impotent. His most signal failure was in Prussia.

By imposing a conqueror's terms he forced the Prussian monarch to agree to a treaty whereby by no armed force should be maintained in the German country. The letter of the agreement was kept, but such men as Scharnhorst, Gneisenau and Stein found a way to turn even this arrangement to their country's advantage. While the maximum allowable army was always in training, it was not always the same army. Through a system of retiring trained men rapidly into the reserves and replacing them by recruits, the entire available manhood of the country was quietly prepared for war. Not only did Napoleon ultimately owe his own fall in large part to this plan, but it became the foundation of the very system which, in 1914, enabled the Kaiser to put into motion over night the greatest military machine the world had ever known.

Over and over again history has proved that while Governments may be crushed, great peoples cannot be held forever under a victor's heel. What Napoleon failed to do to Prussia over a century ago, what Bismarck failed to do to France after 1870, Wilhelm will fail to do to Russia and Rumania. Has he forgotten the battle of the nations at Leipzig?

THE GREAT SEA WALL.

Beginning with January, successive announcements from London have warned shipping of enlargements of North Sea areas rendered dangerous by mine fields. Some of these enlargements seem to have been of local extent only. One mapped a few weeks ago located waters of some thousands of square miles near the coasts of Holland and Denmark.

Now, however, news comes of a work of defense to be completed May 15 which will virtually make the North Sea one of those closed seas we used to hear so much about during the Alaskan disputes. A barrier of deadly mines will stretch from Norway to Scotland, 250 miles. With this line as a base other lines will stretch along the coasts of the two countries to form a great triangle whose apex will reach far into Arctic waters.

The Great Wall of China, faced with granite blocks and having earth and stones between, which was built to hold out the savage Tartars and has always been conceded to be the greatest defense work of history, is 1250 miles long, averaging 21 feet in width. It extends in but one dimension. If it extended in two dimensions to form a square or triangle, the greatest amount of territory it could inclose would be about 100,000 square miles.

But this sea barrier of steel mines, each with a great charge of terrific explosives of costly manufacture, is reputed to inclose an area of 121,782 square miles. The total area of Norway itself is 124,122; of New Mexico, 122,634 square miles.

To create the barrier, ore and coal had to be dug, the iron smelted and fashioned into form, the explosives, with cunning devices for firing, introduced. It was a work requiring tens of thousands of hands, despite the magnified potentiality given their labor by steam and machines, and toilers of the sea in great force to anchor them in the depths from trail craft in stormy waters.

It is conjectured that Admiral Jellicoe had the effect of this great wall of the sea in mind when he said that the submarine would reach the minimum of its power to destroy in August. The surface of these waters is closely guarded. Now an unknown and demoralizing but real danger menacing U-boats voyaging submerged to perpetrate murder.

THE DRAFT AGE.

The War Department is said to be considering seriously a proposal for legislation to raise the draft age to 40 years, although the plan, if adopted, probably will not be urged for several months yet. Advisability of such arrangement can be left safely to the judgment of the war authorities. If they think it necessary, the legislation will be promptly forthcoming.

Nobody as yet knows how big an army we shall require before the German is beaten to his knees. But the country is resolved that it shall be big enough, if it means 5,000,000 men or 10,000,000 or 15,000,000. If the available supply from the present draft ages is not adequate, the ages will be changed.

Men around 40 cannot be as quickly trained for army service as those of 31 and under, are more likely to be settled in occupations that it would be to the country's disadvantage to disturb, and, perhaps, lack the physical stamina of youth in arduous campaigns. Nevertheless, they are still excellent military material, as the present war has demonstrated.

GERMANY'S RECITAL OF ITS CRIMES.

"If there are any still thinking of siding with the allies, let them take warning from the fate of others," says a German circular widely distributed in Spain and perhaps others of the few countries remaining neutral in Europe.

Dr. Hillis has described the barbarities deliberately practiced in Belgium, as not only a device for the abject subjugation of the civilian population, but as a hideous device ranking with poison gas, lawless use of U-boats and 42-centimeter guns for impairing the efficiency of enemy fighting forces.

Taking as a typical case that of a Belgian soldier who was lucky enough to escape wounds or capture and to retain his place in the ranks, the doctor described the mental torture inflicted on him in learning of the inhuman treatment accorded even the women and children and aged of his own community and more particularly of his own family. Undoubtedly the ultimate effect would be to steel him to an unalterable resolution for the putting down of a people capable of such monstrosities. But the immediate effect was often a shock worse than shell shock. Many Belgian soldiers were so overcome by horror as to require weeks and months for full recovery.

But the practices are to have a potency extended beyond that on enemy civilians and fighters. They are to serve as a horrible warning to nations as yet noncombatant not to be drawn into the struggle. A recital of German crimes is made that they have not dared to oppose Germany and that they may be deterred from opposing her in the future.

Even a list of the silver spoons, the watches, the umbrellas and parasols, the women's handkerchiefs and lingerie stolen by the Germans in Belgium is given along with the art treasure thefts, and the 73 churches destroyed or rendered unserviceable and the enormous fines levied on this starving people. Last religious sentiment should give the Spanish some sympathy for the Belgians, the immortal Cardinal Mercier is denounced for "treachery to the good-hearted German soldiers."

Can the effect of such a shameful recital be anything but the reverse of what the Germans intended? Instead of convincing any people of right thinking and normal ideals that they are fortunate in keeping out of the war, how can the effect be other than to inspire them with a great longing to join the conflict and to end such horrors for all time?



TROUBLES OF A SCULPTOR.

JUST A MINUTE

Written for the POST-DISPATCH
by Clark McAdams

THE RIVER DES PERES.

THE River des Peres is a wonderful stream. As it wriggles its way through the park, with its perilous scent, its malevolent gleam, and its flood giving off just a feather of steam, as it wanders by sullen and dark.

Is there anything like it, dear reader, in France? Well, not if we judge by a tank. One took only lately this desperate chance; it pushed through the stream with a mighty advance, and then stuck on the opposite bank.

This tank was a veteran back from the front, bearing scars and a terrible air; its sides fairly hurt when it thought of the stunt, and it uttered a droll and exuberant grunt—But it stuck in the River des Peres!

This tank had known Flanders—its ups and its downs—The shell-pit, the trench, the abyss! It had forded its rivers and flattened its towns, it had won the best-known and the chief of renowns—But it still wasn't equal to this!

Six Britons rolled out in their beautiful suits With shovels and tackle and ropes. They coaxed and they threatened this drolliest of brutes; They ultimately called on a hundred recruits—But alas for experienced hopes

They gave her more gas, and they gave her more sand; She strained and she struggled and pitched. Another brave hundred men lent her a hand, And they sang "Hail Britannia!" led by the band, But alas, she was hopelessly ditched

O, the River des Peres is a wonderful stream Where its black, oily waters advance.

With its perilous scent, its malevolent gleam, And its flood giving off just a feather of steam, There is nothing quite like it in France.

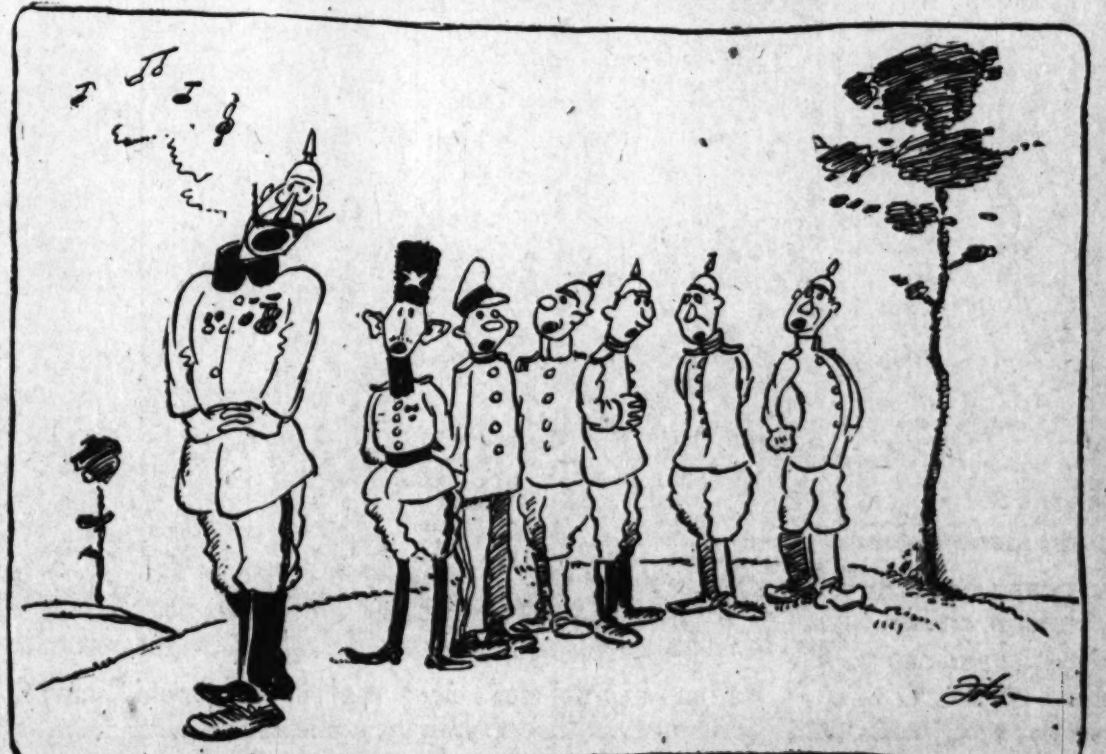
It is not surprising that the Europeans are amazed by the size and huskiness of our soldiers. All in all, we are probably the biggest people on earth. You probably saw the picture published last week of the German soldier looking up at his American captor. Type was not necessary to tell us what was in that German's mind. His very upturned face said plainly enough, "Gott help us if this is what the Americans are like!" In Panama, where sixty blends of the human race gathered to dig the canal, the Americans were called the big people. This notwithstanding the Jamaicans, who are anything but small. We used to learn at school that the giants of humankind are the Patagonians; but after seeing some of them at our World's Fair and observing their astonishment at the size of our own policemen, we concluded there couldn't have been much to what we had been told. Some people have said that the Sioux Indians are the great size of the Russians in any comparison of this sort. We suspect the truth to be that we are ourselves the biggest people in the world, and Europe seems to be finding that out. Certainly the little German who was looking up at his giant captor on the picture page last week believes it.

Progress on the line Beans-Peas-Tomatoes isn't as satisfactory as it could be.

It is presumed that the Britannia met some of our local tanks.

The River des Peres is probably pro-German.

HAIL! HAIL! THE GANG'S ALL HERE!



The MIRROR of PUBLIC OPINION

This column is designed to reproduce without bias the latest comment by the leading publicists, newspapers and periodicals on the questions of the day.

The Farmer Comes Through.

ACCORDING to the Government forecast America this season will produce one of the largest wheat yields in its history.

If it does not it will be because nature has collaborated with the enemy. It will not be because the American farmer has not done his duty.

This is, in fact, a great year for the American farmer. He has opened his pocket liberally for the third Liberty loan. He has shown what he could do in crop raising. As the American flags are multiplying along the battle front and the rattle and roar of American rifles and cannon rise higher in France, the noise of the American harvester will join them and the sound will not be in harmony in the ears of the enemy.

There is no doubt where the farmer stands today. He is behind the fighting man, fighting in his own way. He is with the colors and he will help win the victory.

The news from the American farm is going to bring comfort to sorely tried France, England and Italy. It is good news to all Americans, because it means a united country fighting with every resource for a common cause.

Ticker as War Barometer.

WHAT can the stock market know about the military situation on the western front? Yet evidently the stock market holds the view that the German drive has been definitely stopped, that it has reached its farthest west. The market reflects this feeling in its present strength, just as during the popular depression attending the German successes in Picardy and Flanders, the market stubbornly resisted the defeatist view and by its price levels indicated its faith that the German armies would not attain their objective. On the whole, the stock market ever since March 21 has shown as sure and steady a judgment on the course and ultimate outcome of the great battle as any military expert writing for the newspapers or the magazines. It may be noted, too, that this latest talk of a German peace drive fails utterly to interest the market. The bonds of no belligerent Government have risen because of it.

The Army Is Kaiser.

FROM the Omaha World-Herald.

THERE is a vast difference between the empire that Napoleon created and for a time ruled, and the German Empire of today. Napoleon had many famous marshals, almost any one of whom could direct a campaign with success, but he could at any time break any or all of them aside with the unanimous consent of the people. When Napoleon was captured, the whole empire collapsed. The Kaiser might be killed or captured but the German Empire would still exist. The German war staff would remain and the armies would move according to the orders it gave them. The place where the decisions are made, the place where the fate of the empire and other policies are decided, is the War Office. The chief of the General Staff shapes the policies and directs the forces that put them in execution, regardless of the Reichstag or any other power. It is to that state of affairs that the President called attention.

The General Staff is not the creation of the Kaiser. The army created it and in Germany the army is the nation. That has never before known, and that is the machine that must be crushed and on the German people. If they finally stand behind that machine and support it, they too, must be crushed into a spirit of obedience to moral law.

Rumania's Bitter Necessity.

FROM the Philadelphia Evening Public Ledger.

THERE was never any doubt that Rumania's peace with the Central Powers was not of bitter necessity. A proud nation does not demobilize her army, surrender control of her railways, grant enormous economic concessions and "rectify" her frontiers (in the Prussian sense) unless she is faced with an alternative of total abolition as an independent power.

But the arrival in London of the American Red Cross mission to Rumania has made public the human side of the tragedy. The pathetic attempt of Queen Marie, whose sympathy with the allied cause has never wavered, to avert surrender to the mailed fist is touching in the extreme. Count Czernin was sent to Jassy about the end of February with the customary short-fuse ultimatum. "His master was stern, unbending, ruthless," the Central Empires had decided that Rumania could be dangled with no longer.

Queen Marie was too affected by her grief to write the personal message to the American people on which she had set her heart. But certainly no thinking American can condemn her nation for the course it was compelled to adopt. It would have profited the allied cause not at all to have another Belgium to succor. Rumania did what she was forced to do and she has our warmest understanding and sympathy.

TODAY'S BEST CARTOON.



"We Are Now in Complete Accord" Berlin.

—Harding in the Brooklyn Eagle.

WICKY VAN

A Story of Love
and Mystery

By Carolyn Wells

**A Merry Party Is at Its Height, When a Millionaire,
a Guest for the First Time at Vicky Van's House,
Is Slain and the Beautiful Young Hostess Disappears**

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CHAPTER I.
VICKY VAN.

VICTORIA VAN ALLEN was the name she signed to her letters and her checks, but Vicky Van, as her friends called her, was named all over her captivating personality, from the top of her dainty, tossing head to the tips of her dainty, dancing feet.

I liked her from the first, and if her "small and early" were said to be so called because they were timed by the small and early numerals on the clock dial, and if her "little" bridge games kept in active circulation a goodly share of our country's legal tender, those things are not crimes.

I lived in one of the polite sections of New York City, up among the East Sixties, and at the insistence of my sister and aunt, who lived with me, our home was near enough the great boulevard to be designated by that enviable phrase, "Just off Fifth Avenue." We were on the north side of the street, and nearer to the avenue, on the south side, was the home of Vicky Van.

Before I knew the girl, I saw her a few times, at long intervals, on the steps of her house, or entering her little car, and had consciously noted her charm and her evident zest of life.

Later, when a club friend offered to take me there to call, I accepted gladly, and as I have said, I liked her from the first. And yet, I never said much about her to my sister. I am, in a way, responsible for Winnie, and too, she too young to go where they play bridge for money. Little faddily prize bags or gift shop novelties are her stages.

Also, Aunt Lucy, who helps me look after Win, wouldn't quite understand the atmosphere at Vicky's. Not exactly Bohemian—and yet, I suppose it did represent one compartment of that handy-box of a term. But I'm going to tell you, right now, about a party I went to there, and you can see for yourself what Vicky Van was like.

"How late you're going out," said Winnie, as I slithered into my top-coat. "It's after eleven!"

"Little girls mustn't make comments on big brothers," I smiled back at her. Win was 19 and I had attained the mature age of 27. We were orphans and spinster Aunt Lucy did her best to be a parent to us; and we got on smoothly enough, for none of us had the temperamental touch of rancor that came from the house.

"Across the street?" Aunt Lucy guessed, raising her aristocratic eyebrows a hair's breadth.

"Yes," I returned, the least bit flustered at the implication of that hairbreadth raising, "sister will be over there and I want to see him."

THIS time the said eyebrows went up frankly in amazement, and the kind blue eyes beamed as she said, "All right, Chet, run along."

Though I was Chester Calhoun, the junior partner of the law firm of Bradbury & Calhoun, and held my self in due and contemptuous respect, I didn't mind Aunt Lucy's calling me Chet, or even, as she sometimes did, Chetty. A man puts up with those things from the women of his household. As to Winnie, she called me whatever she pleased, and I never minded. Lord Chester to Chester-Calhoun.

I patted Aunt Lucy on her soft old shoulder and Winnie on her hard young head, and was off.

True, I did expect to see Steele at Vicky Van's—he was the club chap who had introduced me there—but as Aunt Lucy had so cleverly suggested, he was not my sole reason for going. A bigger reason was that I always had a good time there, the sort of a good time I liked.

I crossed the street drowsily in defiance of much good advice I have heard and read against such a proceeding. But at 11 o'clock at night the traffic in those upper side streets is not sufficient to endanger life or limb, and I reached Vicky Van's house in safety.

It was a very small house, and it was the one nearest to the Fifth Avenue corner, though the long side of the first house on that block of the avenue lay between.

YOU WILL MEET

VICKY VAN—A charming young woman with a strange personality.

CHESTER CALHOUN—An attractive young lawyer, the hero, who tells the story.

FLEMING STONE—Master detective, who is called in to solve the mystery.

FIBSY—His office boy assistant, who plays a star part in the denouement.

thing, vibrant with the joy of living, smiling in sheer gaiety of heart, and pretty as a picture.

HER black hair was arranged in the newest style, that covered her ears with soft loops and exposed the shape of her trim little head. It was banded with a jeweled fillet, or whatever they call those Oriental things they wear, and her big eyes with their long, dark lashes, her pink cheeks and curved, scarlet lips seemed to say, "The world owes me a living and I'm going to collect."

Not as a matter of financial obligation, be it understood.

Vicky Van had money enough and though nothing about her home was ostentatious or over ornate, it was quietly and in the best of taste luxurious.

But I was describing Vicky herself. Her gown, the skirt part of it was a sort of mazy maize-colored fluff, rather short and rather full, that swirled as she moved, and fluttered when she danced. The bodice part was of heavily gold-spangled material, and a kind of overskirt arrangement was a lot of long gold fringe made of beads. Instead of a yoke, there were shoulder straps of these same beads, and the sleeves weren't there.

And yet, that costume was all right. Why, it was a rig I'd be glad to see Winnie in, when she gets older, and if I've made it sound rather—er—gay and festive, it's my bungling way of describing it, and also, because Vicky's personality would add gaiety and festivity to any raiment.

Her little feet wore gold slippers, and a lot of ribbons criss-crossed over her ankles, and on the top of her slipper was a gilt butterfly that fluttered.

Yet with all this bewildering effect of frivolity, the first term I'd make use of in describing Vicky's character would be Touch-me-not. I believe there was a flower called touch-me-not, and a kind of overskirt arrangement was a lot of long gold fringe made of beads. Instead of a yoke, there were shoulder straps of these same beads, and the sleeves weren't there.

Flowers were everywhere. Great bowls of roses, jars of pink carnations and occasionally a vase of pink orchids were on mantel, low book-cases or piano. And sometimes the odor of a cigarette or a burning pastille of Oriental fragrance, added to the Bohemian effect, which, in essence, was not discernible by the sense of smell.

Vicky herself, detested perfumes or odors of any kind, save fresh flowers all about. Indeed, she detested Bohemianism, when it meant unconventional dress or manners or vivid rearing places, and soft rose-shaded lights gave a mild glow of illumination.

Many of the guests I knew. Cassie Weldon was a concert singer and Ariadne Gale an artist of some prominence, both socially and in her art circle. Jim Ferris and Bailey Mason were actors of a good sort, and Bert Garrison, a member of one of my best clubs, was a fast rising architect. Steele hadn't come yet.

Two tables of bridge were playing in the back part of the room, and in the rest of the rather limited space several couples were dancing. Vicky Van opened the doors to the dining room, Vicky called out one of the card players. "The calories of this room must be about 90 in this shade."

"Open them a little way," returned Miss Van Allen, "but not for there's a surprise supper, and I don't want you to see it yet."

that ran all across the house behind both living room and hall. It was beautifully decorated in pale green and silver, and often Vicky Van would have a "surprise supper," at which the favors or entertainers would be well worth waiting for.

Having greeted many whom I knew, I looked about for further speech with my hostess.

"She's upstairs in the 'music room,'" said Cassie Weldon, seeing and interpreting my questioning glance.

"Thank you, lady, for those kind words," I called back over my shoulder, and went upstairs.

The front room on the second floor was dubbed the "music room," Vicky said, because there was a banjo in it. Sometimes the guests brought their own banjos and a concert of glances and college songs would ensue. But more often, as tonight, it was a little wave of rest and peace from the laughter and jest below stairs.

It was an exquisite white and gold room, and here, too, as I entered, pale pink shades dimmed the lights to a soft radiance that seemed like a breaking dawn.

Vicky sat enthroned on a white divan, her feet crossed on a gold-embroidered white satin foot cushion. In front of her sat three or four of her guests, all laughing and chatting.

"But he vowed he was going to get here somehow," Mrs. Reeves was saying.

"Somers," returned Mrs. Reeves. "I heard of him. Did you, Mr. Calhoun?" and Vicky Van looked up at me as I entered.

"No, Miss Van Allen. Who is he?" "I don't know and I don't care. Only Mrs. Reeves says he is coming here tonight. I'd like to know something about him."

"Coming here! A man you don't know?" I drew up a chair to join the group. "How can he?"

"I saw him," said Mrs. Reeves. "He says—Norman Steele says, that Mr. Somers is a first-class, all around chap, and no end of fun. Says he's a millionaire."

"What's a millionaire more or less to me?" laughed Vicky. "I choose my friends for their lovely character, not for their wealth."

"Yes, you've selected all of us for their dearth," agreed Mrs. Reeves, "but this Somers gentleman may be amiable, too."

Mrs. Reeves was a solid, sensible sort of person, who acted as ballast for the volatile Vicky, and sometimes reprimanded her in a mild way.

"I love the child," she had said to me once, "and she is a little brick. But once in a while I have to tell her, and then after the good of the community. She takes it all like an angel."

"Well, I don't care," Vicky went on, "Norman Steele has no right to bring anybody here whom he hasn't asked me about. I don't like him. I shall ask none of you nice, amiable men to get me a long plank, and we'll put it out of a window, and make him walk it. Shall we?"

All agreed to do this, or to tar and feather and ride on a rail any gentleman who might in any way be so unfortunate as to fall on the short of Vicky Van's requirements.

"And now," said Vicky, "if you'll all please go downstairs, except Mrs. Reeves and Mr. Garrison and my own sweet self, I'll be orly obliged to you."

The sweeping gesture with which she sought to dismiss us was a wave of her white arms and a smile of her red lips, and I, for one, found it impossible to obey. I started with the rest, and then after the gay crowd were part way down stairs I turned back.

"Please mayn't I join your little class, if I'll be very good?" I begged. "I don't want Bert Garrison to be left alone at the mercy of two such silents."

Miss Van Allen hesitated. Her pink-tipped forefinger rested a moment on her curved lip. "Yes," she said, nodding her head. "Yes, stay, Mr. Calhoun. You may be a help. Are you any good at getting theater boxes after they're all sold?"

"That's my profession," I learned it from a correspondence school. Where's the theater? Lead me to it!"

"It's the Metropolitan Theater," she replied. "And I want to have a party there tomorrow night, and I want two boxes, and this awful, dreadful, bad Mr. Garrison says they're all

sold, and I can't get any! What can you do about it?"

"I'll go to the people who bought the boxes you want, and—I don't know what I'll say to them, exactly—but I'll fix up such a yarn that they'll beg me to take the boxes off their hands."

"Oh, will you really?" and the dazzling smile she gave me would have repaid a much greater Herculean task than I had undertaken.

And, of course, I hadn't meant it, but when she thought I did, I couldn't go back on my word.

"I'll do my best, Miss Van Allen," I said, seriously, "and if I can't possibly turn the trick, I'll—well, I'll buy the Metropolitan Opera House, and put on a show of my own."

"No," she laughed, "you needn't do that. But if you try and fail—why, we'll just have a little party here, a sort of consolation party, and—oh, let's have some private theatricals. Wouldn't that be fun?"

"More fun than the original program?" I asked quickly, hoping to be let off my promise.

"No, sir!" she cried, "decidedly not! I want especially to have that theater party and supper afterward at the Britz. Now you do all you can, won't you?"

I PROMISED to do all I could, and I had a partial hope I could get what she wanted by hook or crook, and then, as she heard a specially favorite fox-trot being dashed off on the piano downstairs, she sprang from her seat, and kicking the satin cushion aside, asked me to dance. In a moment we were whirling around the music room to the zipping music, and Mrs. Reeves and Garrison followed in our steps.

Vicky danced with a natural born talent that is quite unlike anything acquired by lessons. I had no need to guide her, she divined my lead, and swayed in any direction, even as I was about to indicate it. I had never danced with anyone who danced so well, and I was profuse in my thanks and praise.

"I LOVE it," she said, simply, as she patted the gold fringes of her gown into place. "I adore dancing, and you are one of the best partners I have ever had. Come, let us go down and cut into a bridge game, and just about have time before supper."

Pirouetting before me, she led the way, and we went down the long, steep stairs.

A shout greeted her appearance in the doorway.

"Oh, Vicky, we have missed you! Come over here and listen to Ted's latest old joke!"

"No, come over here and hear this awful gossip Ariadne is telling for solemn truth. It's the very worst trillidie she ever got off!"

"Here's a place, Vicky Van, a nice cozy corner," green Jim and me. Come on, Ladygirl!"

"No, thanks, everybody. I'm going to cut in at this table. May I? Am I a nuisance?"

"A Vicky-nuisance! They ain't no such animal!" and Bailey Mason rose to give over his chair.

"No," said she, "I want you to stay, Mr. Mason. Cause why, I want to play wix you. Cassie, you give me your place, won't you, Ducky-Daddies? and you go flirt with Mr. Calhoun. He knows the very newest flirts! Go, give him a tryout!"

Vicky Van sat herself into her seat with the happy little sigh of the bridge lover, who sits down with three good players, and in another moment she was breathlessly looking over her hand. "Without," she said, and knowing she'd said a new word to me for the present, I walked away with Cassie Weldon.

And Cassie was good fun. She took me to the piano, and with the soft pedal down, she showed me a new little tone picture she had made up, which was both picturesque and funny.

"You'd better go into vaudeville!" I exclaimed, as she finished, "your talent is wasted on the concert platform."

heard you sing. Voice like a lark—like a lark! Clearly, Somers was not much of a purveyor of small talk. I staid him

really good stuff, and Vicky buys 'em for Christmas gifts and bridge prizes.

"Does she ever play for prizes? I thought she liked a bit of a stake, now."

"Yes, at evening parties. But, often we have a dove game of an afternoon, with prizes and pink tea. Vicky Van isn't a gay doll you know. She's—sometimes, she's positively domestic. I wish she had a

nice husband and some little kiddies."

"Why hasn't she?" "I've never seen any man she loved, I suppose."

"Perhaps she'll love this Somers person."

"Heaven forbid! Nothing less than a Crown Prince would suit Vicky Van. Look, she's turning to meet him. Won't he be bowled over!"

I TURNED, and though there were several people between us, I caught a glimpse of Somers' face as he was presented to Miss Van Allen. He was bowled over. His eyes beamed with admiration and he bowed low as he raised to his lips the dainty, bejeweled hand.

Vicky, apparently, did not welcome this old-time greeting, and she drew away her hand, saying, "Not allowed. Naughty man! Express proper compunction, or you can't sit next me at supper!"

"Forgive me," begged Somers. "I'm sorry! I'll never do it again—until I sit next you at supper!"

"More brains than I thought," I said to Cassie, who nodded, and then Vicky Van rose from her chair.

"Take my place for a moment, Mr. Somers," she said, standing before him. "She dropped her eyes adorably. 'I must see about the arrangement of seats at the supper table.' With a merry laugh she ran from the room and through the long hall to the dining room.

Somers dropped into her vacant chair, and continued the bridge game with the air of one who knows how to play.

In less than five minutes Vicky was back. "No, keep the hand," she said, as he rose. "I've played long enough. And supper will be ready shortly."

"Finish the rubber—I insist," Somers returned, and as he determinedly stood behind the chair, Vicky, perforce, sat down.

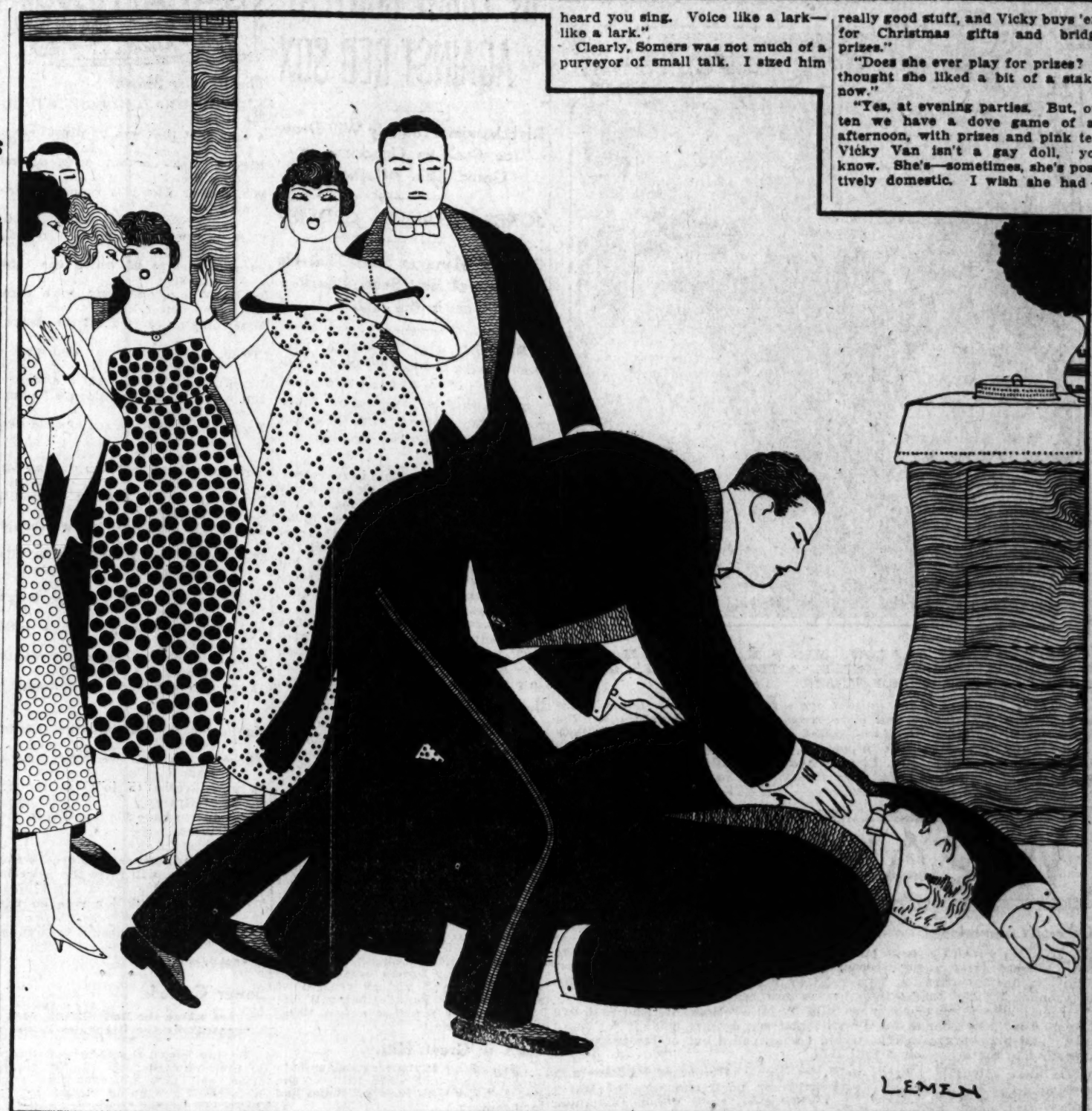
He continued to stand behind her chair, watching her play. Vicky was too sure of her game to be rattled at his close scrutiny, but it seemed to me her shoulders shrugged a little impatiently, as he criticized or commended her plays.

She had thrown a light scarf of gauze or tulle around when she was out of the room, and being the same color as her gown, it made her seem more than ever like an houri. She smiled up into Somers' face, and then, coyly, her long lashes fell on her pink cheeks. Evidently she had concluded to bewitch the newcomer, and she was making good.

I DREW nearer, principally because I liked to look at her. She was a live wire tonight! She looked rough, and she made most brilliant plays, tossing down her cards with say little restures, and doing trick shuffles with her twinkling fingers.

"You could have had that last trick, if you'd played for it," Somers said, as the rubber finished.

"I know it," Vicky conceded. "I Continued on Next Page.



"SOMERS IS DEAD! WHERE IS VICKY VAN?"

THE SANDMAN STORY FOR TONIGHT

BY MRS. P. A. WALKER.

Mrs. Mouse's Gratitude.

MRS. MOUSE lived in a hole in the floor of the barn with her five little ones, and though Mr. Horse, who lived right above them, made a great deal of noise some nights, they found it very convenient to get their breakfast from the grain and corn he dropped in the morning.

Mrs. Mouse kept her children in the house most of the time, for puss sometimes came into the barn to hunt, but she never came into the stall where Mr. Horse lived, so Mrs. Mouse sometimes took the children there for a frolic.

One day Mr. Horse came in and caught them, but he did not step on them, and that made the little mice bolder, so one day when their mother was out they ran up to Mr. Horse's stall to play.

Mr. Horse was there, but he was busy eating his dinner, and he did not notice them until he heard a noise outside.

He poked out his head to see what was going on, and saw puss chasing Mrs. Mouse around the barn-like mad.

Mrs. Mouse ran behind a barrel, and then she dodged into the stall and, of course, being in a great hurry, did not see her children.

But they saw her and puss also and no sooner did their mother disappear from the hole than they followed, tumbling over each other to get there.

All but one were safe when puss ran into the stall. She saw the little fellow and would surely have had him in her paw if Mr. Horse hadn't saved him, but just as puss jumped Mr. Horse put out his big foot and, hunt as she did, puss could not find the mouse.

"Better drive it up, puss," said Mr. Horse. "Drive it up, puss, said Mr. Horse. He was a tiny creature anyway. Your dish of milk will be a far better dinner, I am sure."

"Oh, I was only having a little fun," said puss, switching her tail. "I care very little for mice, and as you say, my milk dinner is far better and it makes me nice and plump. Good day, Mr. Horse. I will run in again some day."

Who was one of eight. Mr. Horse lifted his foot, which was really not on the floor at all, but held carefully over one of Mrs. Mouse's children just to hide him from puss.

"Be off with you as fast as you can scamper," said Mr. Horse. "I am tired of standing on three legs."

Mrs. Mouse, as soon as she was inside her house, counted her children, and she was only four, went to the hole and looked out, so she saw all that happened.

AFTER hugging her lost child she pushed him inside her house, and the others ran into Mr. Horse's stall.

"I will never forget your kindness," she told him, "and sometimes I'll be able to show my gratitude."

"Oh, don't think of it," Mrs. Mouse said. "Mr. Horse, with a smile. 'You are so small I am sure you can never help me, and I shall never think of it again.'"

Modest little Mrs. Mouse ran back to her children and did not tell Mr. Horse what she thought, but she did know that sometimes the smallest creature can be of great service to bigger ones.

A long time after all this had happened, one night Mrs. Mouse opened a terrible noise right over her head. "That is Mr. Horse; he is making more noise than usual," she thought. Then she heard him neigh and she ran to see what was the matter.

Mr. Horse was tugging at the halter and pawing in a terrible manner. Mrs. Mouse smelt something and then she saw smoke coming from the hay-rick. "Oh, what shall I do," she thought. "Mr. Horse is tied and cannot escape and I am too little to help him." Up and down the side of the stall she ran and then an idea came to her; she might be able to help him. "Oh, what shall I do," she thought. Then she heard him neigh and she ran to see what was the matter.

Mr. Horse would never have known how he escaped if one of Mrs. Mouse's children had not told "one day while he sat on the side of the manger talking to Mr. Horse."

"I am almost caught me," she told Mr. Horse. "I am grown up now, you see, and when there is a fire again I shall come out and save you, just as mother did."

"Mr. Horse asked him what he meant and then the story came out which set Mr. Horse to thinking. "A friend is not to be despised," he said, "no matter how small that friend may be. I'll remember that."

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Conservation Pie Crust.

HERE is the official recipe for H conservation pie crust: Grease little pie shell, cover with raw cornmeal, giving the plate a rotating motion so that an even layer of the meal will stick to the plate and be 1-4 of an inch in thickness. Fill the plate with pumpkin pie mixture and bake in hot oven.

We Have Known Golfers Who, in Addressing the Ball, Always Used Reverse English

CARDINALS SCORE AVERAGE OF 3.25 TALKIES PER GAME

Despite 13 Defeats Opponents Average Less Than One Better Than Locals.

PHILLIES SHOW TODAY

Doak and Oeschger Slated to Pitch in Opener With East-erners, Twice Deferred.

While rain prevented yesterday's game between the Cardinals and Phillies, as it had on Saturday, the Sabbath wasn't entirely wasted. Manager Hendricks called his charges into the clubhouse, where, during a session that endured for almost an hour, he went back over the box scores and pointed out where the club might stand today had it shown a punch in the pinch instead of letting the opposition get away with it. The Cardinals today have a record of seven victories and 13 defeats. Previous to the granting of their protest of the game at Cincinnati April 29, the locals had suffered 14 defeats. But the figures on runs scored show the Cardinals have not fared as badly as the won and lost columns indicate.

Average 3.25 Runs a Game.

The Klot Haters have scored a total of 45 runs in the 20 games they have played, an average of 3.25 a game. Their opponents have counted 74 runs in 20 games, which figures an average of 3.7 per game. The averages are very close, principally due to the fact that the Cardinals have lost no less than eight games by the margin of one run. They also have dropped two contests by two runs.

Hendricks' charges have been blanked three times, but each of these games were pitched by rookies. The scores were 1 to 0, 2 to 0 and 3 to 0. Thus, with any sort of batting, the issue might have been reversed.

It is this very fact that prevents the new manager from becoming utterly discouraged at the showing of the club. He points out that while the Cardinals have been losing, they have not been overthrown. Dealing with the possibilities Hendricks figured that the Cardinals might be today the one-run defeats been victories.

Two Bats Are Needed.

Their standing would be 15 games won and 5 lost. Hence, Jack says he was not entirely abandoned hope, and believes when Cruise and Hornsby begin to hit together, there will be an entirely different story to tell. There appeared no good reason this morning why the first game of the series with the Phillies should not be played this afternoon. The Cardinals will be able to play the game here now, as they give way to the Boston Braves Wednesday.

Bill Doak and Joe Oeschger are slated to work this afternoon. The Cardinals also will show their new lineup, which has Mike Gonzales at first, vice George Baker, and Bruno Betzel at second, Niehoff having been given a layoff by the manager. The game will begin at 3:30 o'clock.

TIGERS AND YANKS LOSE.

DETROIT, Mich., May 12.—The New York Yankees and the Detroit Tigers gambled on the weather yesterday and lost. After jumping from New York after Saturday's game and arriving here shortly after noon the two teams were prevented from playing by a slow drizzle that began just as the game was scheduled to start. The teams left last night for the game in New York today.

"Over the Top" Team Winner in Women's Patriotic Tenpin Event



LEFT TO RIGHT, TOP ROW: MRS. T. M. HILL, MRS. M. KELLY JR. AND MRS. GEORGE T. MEYER. BOTTOM ROW: MRS. GEORGE BOUNDY AND MRS. GEORGE WILLIS.

Three members of the quintet are officials in the St. Louis Women's Tenpin Association and were responsible for the holding of the tournament, all the proceeds of which go to the Soldiers' and Sailors' fund. They are: Mrs. Hill, president; Mrs. Meyer, vice president; and Mrs. Kelly, secretary. Mrs. Boundy and Mrs. Willis are ranked among the best bowlers in the city. The team's total was 2024.

WRAY'S COLUMN

Odious Comparisons.

DERRILL PRATT'S ears must have burned many times during the present season—conversation has certainly been "going on" about him. Del invited attention to himself by his poor work during two seasons under Fielder Jones, then by his suit against Phil Ball; next by the remarkable value placed upon him by Miller Huggins, who sent five players here in exchange for Derrill; and last by his holdout for more salary and his charges that he would be railroaded out of the league for appealing to the law against Phil Ball.

The high valuation placed upon Pratt by himself and by the Yankees management made him the focus of all baseball attention from New York to St. Louis. New York fans have received reports of his 1918 play with a "mind any size" expression. They are not quite certain whether to laugh or howl.

Pratt is batting over .300, thus far this season. On the other hand, his fielding has been alluded to as "unsatisfactory," "disappointing," and "not yet up to standard" by New York writers, who are beginning to speculate whether Huggins committed the well-known colossal blunder in trading Neamaker, Gedeon and other Yankees, who have been doing nicely with the Browns.

Pratt's fielding style has not pleased New York fans—and it WILL not. He may hit himself into the good graces of the public, however, and criticism of his "failures" at this time is premature and unfair.

These Sammys Are All In.

ALTHOUGH Sam McVey and Sam Langford have both been passed along the watermelon route,

VICKY VAN

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saw, just too late, that I was getting the lead into the wrong hand."

"Well, don't ever do that again," he said, lightly, "never again."

As he said the last word, he laid his finger tips on her shoulder. It was the very touch, the shoulder was swathed in the transparent tulle, but still, it roused Vicky. She glanced up at him, and I looked at him, too. But Somers was not in flirtatious mood. He said, "I beg your pardon."

In most correct fashion. Had he then, touched her inadvertently? It didn't seem so, but his speech assured it.

Vicky jumped up from the table, and ignoring Somers, ran out to the hall, saying something about looking after the surprise for the supper.

To my surprise, Somers followed her not hastily, but rather deliberately, and quelling an absurd impulse to go, "I turned to Norman Steele, who stood near me."

"Who's this Somers?" I asked him, rather abruptly. "Is he all right?"

"You bet," said Steele, smiling. "He's a top-notch."

"In what respects?"

"Every and all."

"You've known him long?"

"Yes, I tell you, Cal, he's all right. Forget it. What's the surprise for supper? Do you know?"

"Of course not. It wouldn't be a surprise if we all knew it."

"Well, Vicky's surprises are always great fun. Why the grouch, old man? Can't you chit-chat?"

of gay voices and peals of gay laughter, "oh, somebody, please!"

I LOOKED across the room, and in the wide hall doorway stood a man, who was quite evidently a waiter. He was white-faced and staring-eyed, and he fairly hung onto a portiere for support, as he repeated his agonized plea.

"What is it?" said Mrs. Reeves, as everybody else stared at the man. "What do you want?" She stepped toward him, and we all turned to look.

"Not you—no, Madame. Some man, please—some doctor. Is there one here?"

"Some of the servants ill?" asked Mrs. Reeves, kindly. "Doctor Remson, will you come?"

The pleasant-looking capable-looking woman paused only until Dr. Remson joined her, and the two went into the hall, the waiter following slowly.

In a moment I heard a shriek, a wild scream. Naturally curiosity and partly a foreboding of harm to Vicky Van, made me rush forward.

Mrs. Reeves had screamed, and I ran the length of the hall to the dining room. There I saw Somers on the floor, and Remson bending over him.

"He's killed! He's stabbed!" cried Mrs. Reeves, clutching at my arm as I reached her. "Oh, what shall we do?"

He stood just in the dining room doorway, which was at the end of the long hall, as in most city houses. The rooms were but dimly lighted, the table candles not yet burning.

"Keep the people back!" I shouted, as those in the living-room pressed out into the hall. "Steele, keep those girls back!"

To be continued in the Post-Dispatch Tomorrow.

SO THORON TO HURL THIRD CONTEST AGAINST RED SOX

Righthander Probably Will Draw Joe Bush as Opponent in Game This Afternoon.

JONES PRAISES GEDEON

Browns' Manager Says That He Is One of Best Second Sack-ers in the A. L.

BOSTON, May 12.—"We have been playing fine ball for the last two weeks, but if we had received better pitching we'd be stepping out much nearer the front," said Manager Fielder Jones of the Browns this morning.

"But I look for an improvement. Shocker and Lowdermilk are ready to work at any time now. Allan Sothoron will get in there today against the Red Sox, and I expect we will have to meet Joe Bush. I could use Grover Lowdermilk, but the latter might do himself more justice if he were given three or four more days in which to practice."

"It has been a shame for us not to have better pitching when our general defensive play and club batting was so good. A little improvement in pitching will mean much."

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SPORT SALAD

THE PASSING SHOW. EXTERMINATOR won the Derby race. A long shot that was hardly worth a bet.

Escoba was content with second place. While War Cloud is reported running yet.

The race was run upon a muddy course. In consequence of which the time was slow.

While War Cloud may have been the better horse, Exterminator carried off the dough.

'Twas ever thus from childhood's happy hour: Upon a horse I never bet a dime. But what there comes along a bloom-

ing day. To make the track a sea of mud and slime.

But while the crowd was waiting for the net To go up on the mags at Churchill Downs. The Boston Red Sox, lest we should forget.

Were being neatly walloped by the Browns.

The Cardinals and Phillies didn't play. The Weatherman put on a little storm.

It looks as though the merry month of May Is far from being in mid-season form.

Again the Pirates took the Giants' Thine. Those Buccaneers we figured as a jest!

It now begins to look as though McGraw Were due to have his troubles in the West.

In order to increase employees' wage The U. R. Co. will raise the price in June.

To take our daily joy ride on the Page. Will cost us pretty near a "picayune."

*64 cents.

Sewer Gassed. See where the British tank was "gassed" by the River des Peres.

Having halted the Cubs and Giants in their onward rush, "Lefty" Ham- mers' team is now over and stop Kaiser Bill's winning streak.

The Cards won a decision over Hank O'Day on points. Looks like first at home.

Close Call. The Yankees and Tigers jumped all the way from New York to play a Sunday game in Detroit and after being foiled by the weatherman jumped right back again to play in New York today. The Fool Killer hearing of the affair made a hurried jump to Detroit but missed 'em by an eyelash.

The report that John Tener lacked backbone was exaggerated. Anybody who has the nerve to reverse a decision on Hank O'Day has spinal column to spare.

The White Sox and Indians played the only Sunday game in either league yesterday. Looks like the weatherman is going to have something to say in regard to this Sunday baseball question.

Up in Chicago they are still throwing cushions after the game is over. The spit ball isn't the only thing that can stand a little abolishing.

In 1898 there were but four automobiles in the United States. In those days we were doing bicycles.

Joe Kinko. Joe Kinko says Charley Hollocher is the greatest shortstop he ever saw. And it will be remembered that Joe Kinko, who is a shortstop, has the shortest legs in the world every time he shaved himself.

Frank Taborski, pocket billiard champion, used to be a milkman. Instead of chalking his milk, Frank now chalks his cue.

Must Have Been Mahogany. A man in Oklahoma filed a claim against the Southern Oil Corporation for injuries to his wooden leg. As he had lost his leg 10 years previous in a railroad wreck he didn't have a leg to stand on.

AMERICAN LEAGUE. Chicago, 1-0; Cleveland, 0-1 (five innings). Williams and Schall; Egan and O'Neill. Other clubs open dates.

TODAY'S SCHEDULE. AMERICAN LEAGUE. Detroit at New York, clear, 3:45 p. m.

Chicago at Philadelphia, clear, 3:45 p. m.

Cleveland at Washington, cloudy, 3:45 p. m.

St. Louis at Boston, cloudy, 3:15 p. m.

NATIONAL LEAGUE. Pittsburgh-New York game postponed; rain. Boston at Chicago, clear, 3 p. m.

Philadelphia at St. Louis, clear, 3:30 p. m.

Brown at Cincinnati, cloudy, 3 p. m.

A \$40 Diamond Ring for only \$1 a week. Letts Bros. & Co., 24 floor, 908 N. 9th.—Adv.

President Tener Reverses O'Day; Cardinals Gain Half a Game

PRESIDENT JOHN K. TENER of the National League yesterday notified President Branch Rickey of the Cardinals that the local club's protest of a game which was won by Cincinnati, April 29, at Cincinnati, has been allowed. Tener failed to name a date on which to replay the game. The granting of the protest removes, temporarily, at least, one game from the number of defeats suffered by the Cardinals this season and also reduces by one the number of games won by Cincinnati.

Te play which caused the protest by the Cardinals occurred in the eighth inning while Hendricks' charges were having their turn at bat. The score was tied, 3 to 3, with one out. Hornsby was on first, Baird on second, Niehoff on third and Cruise at bat. The latter drove a fly to center field. Roush attempted the catch and as soon as Niehoff saw the ball touch Roush's glove, he started for home.

Just as the ball touched his glove, Roush fell. This caused him to juggle the ball, but he managed to catch it again before it fell to the ground. Roush regained his feet and threw to Lee Magee at second base. Magee claimed the ball and had left third before the ball was properly caught and threw to Heinie Groh, who touched third base. Umpire Hank O'Day allowed Magee's claim and when Groh stepped on the sack called it a double play.

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